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Vice-Admiral L. E. Crabbe, C.B., acting Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, taking the salute at the march past of naval landing parties at Happy Valley yesterday. (Photo, Cheng Studio).

## WAR RELIEF ALBUM

Madame Sun Fo, General Wu Teh-chen, Governor of the Province of Kwangtung, Sir Shou-son Chow, Professor Hsu Ti-shan, Professor K. K. Lim and Mr. Louis Chan have given their consent to act as the Judges for the Art Cover Competition organised by the China Information Service in connection with the publication of the special China War Relief Album.

As a result of requests the date for the closing of entries has been extended from the December 31, 1937 to the January, 1938.

The Album which will appear in January will contain articles relating to the methods taken to alleviate the sufferings of the Chinese wounded soldiers and the war refugees. It will be illustrated with special war photographs, hitherto unpublished, by staff photographers of the China Information Service. A special feature of the Album will be the part played by the various relief associations in Hong Kong and Canton.

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## HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

### Inter-Colonial Match

### SOME REMARKABLE SHOOTING

On the Army Ranges at Kowloon City the teams chosen by the Committee of the Hong Kong Rifle Association to represent the Colony in the N.E.A. Inter-Colonial Postal Match for the current year, fired yesterday afternoon under remarkably difficult conditions. Although as will be recollected, the match was fired in pouring rain last year, this year the weather remained fine, but a gusty wind of unusual strength, and which varied constantly in direction, proved to be the undoing of many who, at the practice shoots which have been held during the last fortnight, have done consistently well.

The most remarkable feature of the shooting was the brilliant effort made by those using the "rifle as issued," and it is of interest to note that unless the scoring in other Colonies in this series shows a great improvement on that of last year, Hong Kong should find a place very near the top of the list.

Those using the "1914" rifle found themselves shooting against weather conditions, which meant constant changing of the aperture-sight both for elevation, (owing to

## Prominent Chinese Catholic Murdered

### Sensation In French Concession

### REGARDED AS A TRAITOR

Shanghai, December 30.

Mr. Lo Peh-hong, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the newly formed Civic Association which was created for the purpose of helping to rehabilitate Chinese areas around Shanghai, was shot in the French Concession as he was leaving a friend's house and died a couple of hours later in hospital. The assassins escaped.

Mr. Lo Peh-hong who was manager of the Nantao Electric Light and the Tramway Companies was a prominent Chinese Catholic and was recently decorated by the Vatican. Chinese regarded him and other members of the Civic Association as traitors as their work entails necessary co-operation with the Japanese.

The late Mr. Lo Peh-hong was regarded as one of the most outstanding Catholic laymen in the world and founded the Catholic Action Society of China the motto of which was "To Suffer is to Obey." He collected the largest sums of money for the charity known as Saint Vincent de Paul of China and described himself as the world's greatest beggar. He possessed the Legion of Honour, was Knight Commander of Saint Leopold, Knight Commander of Saint Gre-

gory, Papal Chamberlain and Knight of the Cape and Sword.—*Reuter.*

## CHINESE LABOURERS STOP WORK

### In Japanese Iron Mines

Singapore, Dec. 30.

Three thousand Chinese workers of the Japanese-owned Dungun Iron Mines at Trengganu, which is the biggest in Malaya, passed a resolution to stop work on patriotic grounds and have sent a deputation to Singapore to appeal for assistance from leading Chinese citizens. Most of the workers come from Shantung and their action is believed to be due to the Japanese invasion of Shantung.—*Reuter.*

## HONG KONG IN 1937

### Outstanding Events Chronicled

In January news of the appointment of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, K.C.M.G., C.B.E., to the Governorship of Ceylon, caused widespread regret. A petition for his retention was submitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies but proved of no avail.

The most serious train disaster since 1931 occurred when he broke out on an express train between Sheklung and Canton. The total killed was 77 and 35 injured. Two packages containing celluloid bangles were found.

In the same month another accident befell the K.C.R. The engine and one coach of an express were derailed at Tongtauha while on a journey from Kowloon to Canton. There were no casualties.

### AT SHING MUN

The new Jubilee Reservoir at Shing Mun was officially opened thus culminating a wonderful engineering achievement.

Captain Douglas Lorne Campbell, master of the Chinese Maritime Customs cruiser Cheng Kong, was fatally shot by his cabin boy in British waters outside Hong Kong.

Mr. George Hutton Potts, Chairman of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, died in Swatow.

The first Regional Commission of the International Meteorological Organisation held a conference in Hong Kong.

The Waseda University Hockey team paid a visit to the Colony in January.

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## ART TREASURES MOVED TO SZECHUEN

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Hankow, Dec. 29

I have made arrangements to attend Press Conference presided over by Dr. Y. Y. Li of the Foreign Office. So far the only real news is the departure to-morrow morning (Dec. 30) of a refugee train for Hong Kong. We all hope it will get through. M. Oretsky, the new Soviet Ambassador, has arrived. He called on Dr. Wang, the Foreign Minister, a couple of days ago and will proceed shortly to Chungking in order to present his credentials.

The China art treasure from Nanking passed through here the other day bound for Szechuen. With the boom closed below Kiang-shing shipping down river is at a complete standstill and business men here are fairly dejected.

Steamers are still running to Ichang and Chungking. Matters are not exactly "hot" at Shansi and Ichang and lawlessness is fairly rampant. We all hope and pray that China will come out of this misery without losing one inch of her territory or even the least little bit of face.

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## ARMED ROBBERY

### Junk Attacked In British Waters

Chan Hol, 52, fish dealer, reported to the police that he left Mun Kwan, Po On District, on December 29, on a boat owned by Chan Sul, with a cargo of fish for Shauiwan.

When the boat was off Tai Long, another vessel with seven men on board went towards the boat, and when about 50 yards away, the men on the approaching vessel told them to stop.

They proceeded, however, and the robbers fired two rounds of ammunition. Seeing that they still defied them, the robbers gave chase and eventually overtook them and went alongside.

Armed with knives, the robbers boarded the boat and departed with the cargo, the total value of which was \$61.

## POWER PLANT BLOWN UP

### Destruction In Tsingtao

Tsingtao, Dec. 30.

Explosions broke the stillness of night as the Chinese blew up further Japanese property including a brewery, warehouses and a dye factory and also destroyed Chinese drydocks and repair shops. A big fire raged at the waterfront all night long which was visible throughout the city.

Chinese authorities announced their intention of blowing up the new super-electric power plant in the industrial district.—*Reuter.*

## Mr. Gilbert Harriman

### TO SETTLE DOWN IN SYDNEY

Mr. G. A. Harriman, one of the most popular members of the Hong Kong Sharebrokers' Association, well-known owner-rider of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, and Chairman of the Stewards, Macao Jockey Club sails by the m.v. Neptune, on January 9, 1938, with his family for Australia where they will be settling down, in Sydney. His boys will put into "prep" school here.



Mr. Harriman

"Gilbert," as he is popularly known to a large number of friends and business associates, amongst whom number many of the local Chinese business leaders, is head of the firm of Messrs. G. A. Harriman and Co., in Ice House Street, and although he may be away for only a few years, his absence will be greatly felt.

Possessed of what has often been described as a keen business brain, Mr. Harriman has seen the local share market rise to very great heights, and also when business was almost at a standstill, but come what may he never allows anything to disturb his stolid calm and for that reason has deservedly been called "the man for any emergency" by his colleagues.

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## Japanese Bombs Land Near Military Hospital

### Five Children Die When School Is Hit

### AIR RAID OVER CANTON

Canton, December 30.

Four bombs dropped near the Girls' School at Saichuen, a few miles to the north-west of Canton. Several others are believed to have hit a new military hospital there but at present there are no details regarding the casualties.

To-day's aerial activity appears to have covered a considerable area including several places along the Canton-Kowloon Railway, Namkang and Sheklung where the bridge still defies the Japanese attempt to destroy it at Nanshun and Wonglik. The air raid alarm was sounded shortly before noon and the "all clear" was given at 2.20 p.m.

Later details reveal that over 20 bombs were dropped on the residential, educational and industrial districts to the north-west of Canton, destroying, according to Chinese sources, more than 20 buildings including the Wahmei Middle School, and the Shaho Girls' School and Commercial College at Saichuen.

All the schools were badly damaged but only 35 were killed including five children. Four bombs were dropped near the Military Hospital but it transpires the building was not hit. The patients were frightened but not harmed. Anti-aircraft splinters landed on the roof of the chemists, Watson's, on the opposite side of the road to the Reuter office on Shamen.

### WALL TORN AWAY

Two schools in Saichuen, which are understood to be American-owned, present a sorry picture when Reuter's correspondent visited the scene of this morning's bombings. "I saw the entire wall of one building torn away while nearby a huge bomb hole had upheaved the children's garden breaking the swings and chute which yesterday was used by the children. The other school roof was badly damaged and several small dwellings reduced to bricks and mortar and a field nearby was scarred with several holes at present overrun with an excited crowd of Chinese endeavouring to secure bomb splinters. The Japanese objective seemed to me to be the arsenal or industrial establishments which are situated in the district. Fortunately casualties were comparatively small. Only a solitary blood-stained mat lay on the roadside and gave a hint to what may have occurred. At the moment the all clear has sounded and the Chinese, who are now thoroughly air minded, have nonchalantly resumed their normal activities as though nothing had happened."—*Reuter.*



Vice-Admiral L. E. Crabbe, C.B., accompanied by officers, photographed at the Naval Inspection at Happy Valley yesterday morning. (Photo, Cheng Studio).

## Well Liked In Japan

The following letter was sent to us by a Japanese resident in Matumoto, Japan. We are not publishing the name but original (post card) may be inspected at our city offices, Marina House, at any time.

Matumoto, Japan

December 19, 1937.

To the Publishers of the Hong Kong Weekly Press, Hong Kong.

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## WHAT HONG KONG IS DOING

In an interview yesterday afternoon Miss Irene Ho of the Hong Kong branch of the National Women's Relief Association gave an interesting account of the work the Association is doing and the very generous response of the Chinese people the world over. The Hong Kong branch serves as a redistributing centre for all supplies received and it also lends a hand to other patriotic organisations in distributing their supplies.

At the outbreak of the war, China found herself rather short of nurses and doctors, and appeals were sent out. Many people responded and they were sent up to the front lines and various other stations to tend the wounded.

The Association has, during the past few months, sent up no fewer than twelve thousand packages of clothing, supplies and other comforts to the troops. They are now preparing many units of medical supplies and instruments. Each unit cost \$2,000 and consists of bandages, iodine, ointments, instruments etc., as per instructions from the Ministry of Health.

Contributions and clothing would be very much appreciated and if anyone desires to send them please address the parcel to The Hong Kong National Women's Relief Association, c/o The Bank of Canton, Hong Kong.

## DANCE HALL BAN IN JAPAN

### "Baneful Influence On Public Mind"

Tokio Dec. 30.—Admiral Suet-sugu, Japan's new ultra-nationalist Home Minister, has ordered all dance halls in Japan to close from April as part of a crusade to mobilise the national spirit. Admiral Suet-sugu regards dance halls as a baneful influence on the public mind, a definite threat to good morals and as a menace to manners, peculiarly Japan's own.—*Reuter.*

## THE DOLLAR

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### London Silver Market

(From Our Own Correspondent).  
London, Dec. 30.  
London silver prices to-day were up 1/8 for Spot and 1/16 for "Forward," as follows:  
Dec. 29. Dec. 30.  
Spot.....18-7/16 18-8/16  
Forward.....18-3/8 18-7/16

### PANAY FILM PREVIEW

New York, Dec. 30: A preview of the film depicting the bombing and machine-gunning of the Panay in the Yangtze was shown last night and a copy was sent this morning to Washington where it will be seen by Government officials. Contrary to rule the Navy Department allowed the film to be exhibited to the public without an official preview.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*



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## HONG KONG IN 1937

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**BANKRUPTCY SENSATION**  
The public examination of Mr. Choa Po-sin, former proprietor of the French Bank, in the Bankruptcy Court on February 6, caused a sensation. Miss Ethel Morrison, one of the creditors, made serious allegations in connection with some shares which she had placed in his charge which Mr. Choa admitted that he had sold, but added that there was an understanding between them and that this had given him full liberty of action.

On February 13 the third annual Interport Ladies Hockey match was played between Hong Kong and Shanghai and resulted in a draw 2-2 after extra time. The annual Interport football match was won by Shanghai who defeated Hong Kong 4-3 at Causeway Bay.

**CHARCOAL MURDER**  
On February 28, the charred remains of a human being discovered on the third floor of 323 Reclamation Street led to one of the most sensational murder trials the Colony has witnessed in recent times. Chu Yuk-fai, apprentice draughtsman employed at the P.W.D., was at the April Sessions sentenced to death for the murder of a woman, Cheung Yuk-ching.

On March 18, the trial of a Japanese, named Kephako Itabashi, charged with the possession of 724 ounces of heroin, resulted in the accused being sentenced to ten years' hard labour. The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, observed that there was heroin "sufficient to poison the whole population of this Colony, body and soul."

**POLICE SUICIDES**  
On March 25, a Chinese constable and a waitress, So Fong, were found dead with gunshot wounds in the head in the Botanical Gardens. A similar tragedy occurred in April when a Shantung constable and a woman, believed to be his wife, were found dead with gunshot wounds in the head on a pavement in Yee Kuk Street, Shamshulpo district.

**NEW MARKET**  
On April 1, the new Wanchai market was opened.

**DEATH OF JOCKEY**  
Mr. S. Y. Liang, the well-known Chinese jockey died as the result of an accident while riding Tabby Cat at a Race Meeting at Happy Valley on April 10.

His Excellency General Wu Tuchen, Governor of Kwangtung, visited the Colony on April 12. The magnificent new Queen Mary Hospital was officially opened by His Excellency Sir Andrew Caldecott on April 13.

**FERRY ACCIDENT**  
An extraordinary accident, featuring by the miraculous escape of some 200 passengers, occurred on April 14 shortly after 6 p.m. and resulted in the sinking of the ferry Night Star which was struck amidships by the bow of the ferry Meridian Star about 100 yards north of the Hong Kong Ferry (Continued on Page 3.)

## SNATCHERS IN COURT

### Woman Victimised

Sentence of five months' imprisonment was imposed on a 23-year-old unemployed, Chan Chi, when he pleaded guilty to the charge of snatching a gold earring from a woman, before Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday.

Inspector Morton stated that offences of such a nature had become prevalent in the Shamshulpo District. Defendant had come suddenly behind the complainant, Hui Hang, and snatched the earring. He then ran off, but was arrested by a constable after a chase.

**ANOTHER CASE**  
Appearing on a similar charge Leung Hong, aged 31, was sentenced to five months' imprisonment and 12 strokes of the cane by Mr. K. Keen.

Detective Sergt. Franklin who prosecuted said that complainant, Lai To-kan, was carrying a child, and defendant approached her from behind to snatch the earring. Complainant's brother-in-law who was walking about 10 yards behind witnessed the incident and gave chase and arrested defendant.

An additional charge of breach of deportation ordinance was preferred against defendant. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a further term of three months.

## SEVERN LEIGH APPEAL FAILS

### Written Judgment Delivered

At the Supreme Court yesterday, the written judgments of the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser in connection with the appeal brought by Capt. Albert Edward Ford, master of the s.s. Severn Leigh, which they verbally dismissed on November 12 when it was first heard, were made public.

The appeal was in connection with the alleged attempt of a number of the crew to impede the progress of the vessel to Japanese ports by demanding war-zone money or to be paid off, and against the decision of the Hon. Comdr. J. B. Newill, Acting Harbour Master, in not finding them guilty on that charge.

Members of the crew in question were:—E. Hollingworth, second Engineer; H. Steinman, a German; and M. Paredas, D. Crowden, E. Power, F. Trevanian, A. Macdonald, R. Redmond, E. Burgess, R. Lambert, Stanley Eames, William Matthews, F. Davies and E. Todd (British deckhands); E. O. Gantos, James, Basse, Joseph Davies, John Todd Davies, James Isiah, J. Chiku, Dixon Jones, John Stephens, and Coxon Ayama (negro firemen).

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. M. M. King, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, represented Capt. Ford, and during the hearing of the appeal several of the respondents appeared in person.

Since the verbal announcement dismissing the motion, an application for leave to appeal to the Privy Council has been made and granted, but the papers for it, it was learned, have not yet been sent pending the written judgments of their Lordships.

**CHIEF JUSTICE'S JUDGMENT**  
The judgment of the Chief Justice was as follows:

The British vessel Severn Leigh, on time charter to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha Ltd., a Japanese company, reached Hong Kong on September 1. Here she discharged a cargo of coal, and the master intended to sail in ballast to Hong Kong via the Hainan Straits, at which port she proposed to load antracite for Keelung, Milki, Wakamatsu and Tokoyama.

On September 7 the master received a letter in the following terms:

"Sir, After reading the 'China Mail' of September 6, Monday, we do not feel inclined to continue to serve in the Severn Leigh. We feel that we are entitled to either war-zone money or otherwise we can claim to be paid off the ship. We demand one of these two alternatives."

That letter was signed by twenty-six members of the crew, including the respondents.

The master interviewed the representatives of the crew and cabled to the owners for authority to pay additional wages, but that request was refused.

**NO DECLARATION OF WAR**

The signatories of the letter were so informed, and on the afternoon of September 9 a statutory entry in the ship's log was made. On September 15 the respondents were prosecuted before the Marine Magistrate for combining to impede the progress of the voyage.

Throughout the period from September 6 to 15 the moderation and reasonableness shown by both the master and the crew is most noteworthy. No members of the crew refused duty, and many of them worked overtime. The respondents, however, made it clear that they would not sail in the ship to Hong Kong, maintaining that the condition of the voyage had changed by reason of the hostilities between China and Japan, and that such change justified their demanding increased wages to compensate for the increased risks.

Counsel for the appellant has argued that because there has been no declaration of war between China and Japan and because neither the Chinese Navy nor the Chinese Air Force could take effective steps to prevent the shipment of coal to Japanese ports the respondents had no justification for their action. He conceded, however, that the situation in Chinese waters and on the Chinese coast generally was indistinguishable from that off the coast of Spain.

**HOSTILITIES RAGING**

The admitted facts are that at the time when the men made their demand for increased wages, hostilities were raging between China and Japan. The Japanese fleet had declared a blockade of all ports over a large part of the coast of China, damage had been sustained

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## TRADE MARK DISPUTE

### Summons By British Bicycle Co.

#### DEFENDANT GIVES EVIDENCE

Representatives of two well-known local bicycle companies appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday. The case was one in which A. J. Raptis, trading as the British Bicycle Company, summoned the Shun Hing Co., of Johnston Road, for that they had for the purpose of trade bicycles to which was falsely applied a mark so nearly resembling trade mark No. 69 of 1937 as to be calculated to deceive.

Complainant was represented by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Wilkinson and Grist, and Mr. M. A. da Silva defended.

Mr. Hugh-Jones said the summons was taken under the Merchandise Mark Ordinance in respect of an infringement of a trade mark belonging to the Birmingham Small Arms Co. Ltd., this trade mark being used in respect of bicycles. In a raid on the defendants' godown at No. 17 Ship Street, a number of cases of bicycle frames were seized and also a sample of the genuine B. S. A. bicycle. It would be found on even a very superficial comparison between the genuine mark and the infringement how close they were.

Evidence was given by Sergeant J. R. Bentley who visited No. 17 Ship Street by virtue of a warrant.

Complainant said he was the proprietor of the British Bicycle Co., of Hennessy Road, and was an importer of bicycles made by the B.S.A. as well as of other makes. He had been selling B.S.A. bicycles since 1932 and the machine had been sold here for 20 years. The mark being a very well-known one.

**DEFENDANT'S STORY**  
He was cross-examined by Mr. Silva and, after further evidence had been taken, Mr. Silva called his client to the box.

Wong Shui-ki said he was the manager of the Shun Hing Cycle Co. There were other partners but they took no active part in the firm and he had full authority. He said the seven cases of bicycles with the infringing mark which had been seized in his godown formed part of a consignment sold to him by the Tai Fook Trading Co. of Chung Tin Building. They had arrived by the s.s. Kutsang on May 16 and he had taken delivery on July 16. At this time he knew nothing of the registration of the B.S.A. mark in the Registry of Trade Marks.

It was at the end of July that he discovered the mark had been registered. One case of the seven had been opened when he made this discovery and he repacked it and wrote to the Tai Fook Company to take the bicycles back. He also instructed his foks not to sell any of the machines if they were asked for. From July 28, when he made the discovery of the registration to December 16, when his godown was visited, he had no intention of selling the bicycles or in any way trading in them.

Mr. Hugh-Jones: When the bicycles were seized and you knew you would be prosecuted why did you not, when you were writing to my firm in answer to our request to supply information regarding them, mention that you had asked the Tai Fook Co. to take them back?

Defendant: I was not asked that. I only answered what I was asked.

The consignment received from the Tai Fook by defendant originally consisted of ten cases and, asked by Mr. Hugh-Jones regarding the other three cases, defendant said they had been sold to Canton prior to his discovery of the registration of the B.S.A. mark. He further said his books showed when they were sent to Canton.

Mr. Hugh-Jones: Where are your books?

Defendant: In my shop. Why did you not bring them here?—I did not know they would be used here.

**"JAPANESE GOODS?"**  
The only reason why you have not been able to sell the bicycles was because they were Japanese goods, isn't that so?—No.

You mean it would make no difference to you whether they were Japanese goods or not?—For this month I could not sell Japanese goods but in August and September I could.

This month, would you sell Japanese goods if you could?—Certainly I would.

There was further cross-examination and then, following a few questions by Mr. Silva in re-

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## MME. CHIFFON SUMMONED

### Cook's Claim For Wages

Madame J. Masseboeni (Chiffon), of Madame Chiffon's, dress makers and milliners of Gloucester Building, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday by her former cook, the latter alleging that on December 13 she discharged him without a month's notice and without paying a month's wages in lieu of notice; also that she withheld a sum of \$13 due to him.

In evidence complainant said he had been engaged by defendant on October 2, at wages of \$30 per month. He was paid \$30 on November 5 and another \$30 on December 8. On December 13 defendant found dog's meat soup in the kitchen. Witness told her the house cooie had put it there and she dismissed the cooie. Later she went out and on her return said she had heard from the cooie that witness had eaten some of the soup meat. She then dismissed him.

Witness had never agreed to accept \$25 as wages per month and he did not steal any of the soup. Defendant claimed she only agreed to pay complainant \$25 per month. She stated he was in full charge of the kitchen and alleged he had stolen the soup.

The case was adjourned till January 10.

## LOCAL ESTATE

Mr. Allan Cameron, late of the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, who died on or about May 30, 1937, left local estate sworn under \$40,000. An application by Mr. James Templer Prior, solicitor, for sealing certified copy of letters of administration with the will annexed to the estate of the deceased has been granted by the Supreme Court.

Examination, the case was adjourned to January 5. In the meantime the books mentioned in the course of the cross-examination would be handed over to the prosecution as soon as the parties could get them after the Court rose.





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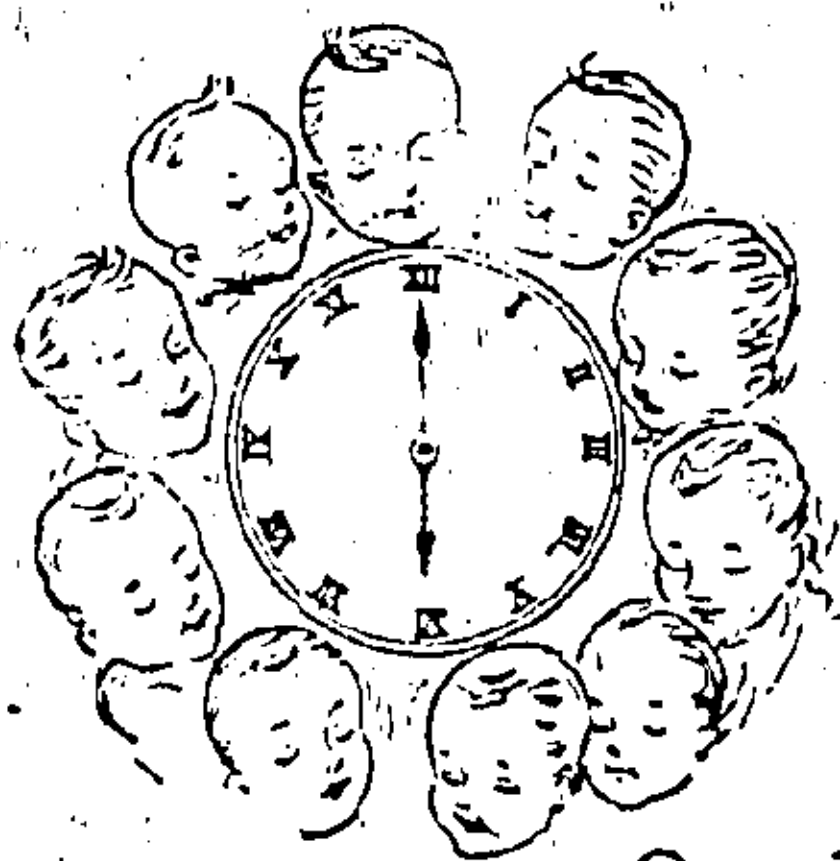
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**WHERE TO PIN  
YOUR POSY**

The newest way with a suit is to wear your buttonhole under your chin! Smart women are wearing two big flowers exactly at the throat, where the blouse buttons. Carnations and gardenias are the favourites.

With an evening frock, orchids are smartest. The imitations are so marvellous that it's hardly possible to tell the difference! Choose natural-coloured artificial ones, waxy and greenish, and pin a long trail to the shoulder of a black or white evening gown, or wear them on a black afternoon frock.

An idea for skull caps. Put a row of flower heads just along the front (planting your cap well back on your head, of course). Use about six flower heads. Tightly curled waxed dahlias are good, or velvet pansies. Then you throw a small stand-out veil over the whole thing.

For evening, women are wearing flowers a lot again in their hair—but it's not everybody's fashion. But if it does suit you, you're lucky, for you can thus be very smart very cheaply!

Seen lately at parties—two scented red chignon carnations, worn by a brunette just over her forehead—with a black chignon frock. An "Alice" comb (on a blonde head), topped by a row of gold daisies. This was worn with a black, which had tiny rows of gold lace.

**PARIS FASHION  
FLASHES**

Cloth dresses have high-necked yokes in wool of a contrasting colour. Pigeon grey and black is a favourite alliance.

Cape afternoon frocks feature laced bodices. One design has three panels of white cord lacing reaching sunray fashion from the neckline to the bust.

Kilted sports frocks in black lamé are worn with superbly tailored white flannel jackets. One jacket is trimmed round the revers and on the under-sleeves from wrist to elbow with fine back braid. The corage of the frock is machine-stitched with white.

Pastel-tinted wool frocks are belted and finished with big patch pockets so that they look like suits. Contrasting capes, lined to match, accompany them—pale turquoise blue with tobacco brown; "dragée" pink with granite blue; bottle green with ivory.

**WITH A SPARKLE**

Tailored evening suits continue to be fashionable, but the newer version is the white skirt and jacket worn with black blouse, gloves, and sequin posy. This is effective, if not quite so practical, as the black suit with white accessories. Some of these white evening ensembles are made of the new fine woollen materials, and to ring the changes a gold or silver tissue bodice takes the place of the black blouse.

If the black suit is preferred, there are sequin-trimmed blouses to accompany it. The sequins are not overpowering, but cleverly introduced to give flashes of brilliance here and there. Sequin posies and sequin birds to pose on the hair are also in the fashion news, but care must be taken not to over-emphasise the scintillation. With type of evening outfit the

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Smart dresses and gowns for the festive celebrations, and plenty of other nice things in the bargain. That about describes the stock at RIVELLE's to-day and as there must be many a one who have not completed their shopping for the New Year yet—here's their chance of picking up something nice in crepe, silks, georgette and wool.

**HESSE FAMILY'S  
JEWELS**

Jewellery, heirloom of the German Royal family of Hesse, found at the scene of the air crash at Ostend when five members of the family lost their lives, has not yet been returned.

The jewellery was being taken to London to be worn at the wedding banquet of Prince Ludwig of Hesse and Miss Margaret Campbell Geddes.

blouse should be sufficient in itself, although one might permit oneself a sequin handbag to match.

## FASHIONS IN HAIRDRESSING

**Styles To Suit All Types**

There is no set fashion in hair-dressing to-day. There is instead a prevailing influence which is dominated by the personality of the wearer. The hairdresser studies his client with the same care as a great dressmaker does. He considers her height, the length of her neck, the shape of her head, and each individual feature. He then adapts his hair-dressing so that weak points are corrected and good ones accentuated.

The tendency is towards an upward and backward movement.

But in Edwardian days a heavy length of hair had to be arranged over pads. To-day the hair is cut and waved so that it can be arranged with the minimum of trouble. The bolster roll is swept back from the forehead, while the back roll is brushed upward and turned over. It extends from well above the ears on either side of the head. It is essential that the back roll should have a pronounced wave set immediately above the ears.

The crown of the head is as smooth as a satin cap, and the

The mature woman, especially if her hair is grey, looks at her best when it is cut shorter and set in claw curls. Scott fluffy curls tend to be ageing except in very rare instances. Where curls are worn they are larger and more rolled, and except where the forehead is very high they are clustered about the top and back of the head. A high forehead can be disguised by bringing the curls forward, but generally this should be avoided so that the natural hairline is shown. The length of the neck essentially determines the style most suitable.



Three different styles of hairdressing are seen in these photographs. The first shows the Edwardian influence, the second has the page-boy effect, with a coil of hair encircling the head and flat claw curls at the side, and in the third, where rolled curls surmount a short parting, the natural hair-line is emphasized.

There is no straight-from-the-parting style. But modifications and adaptations of these two rules are innumerable.

The upward movement has been inspired by the Edwardian fashion in dress designing. This feminine tendency with moulded bust line, defined waist, and fuller skirts must be matched by the same graciousness when it comes to dressing the hair.

style, with certain adaptations, is suitable for almost all ages and types.

**A YOUTHFUL STYLE**  
There is no more charming style for the young girl than the long bob, softly waved, and with the ends brushed round the finger instead of curled. The hair is then brushed back from a centre or side parting. But this "Botticelli angel" type of coiffure is only right with simplicity of dress. It would be a wrong choice for the woman of sophistication.

able for the individual. Curls, or a roll of hair set low at the back, will reduce the apparent length. But no low dressing should be used when the neck is short. The "page-boy" effect, which is the only definite fashion note for this season, can only be worn successfully by the young and tall, and those with considerable length from the back of the head to the shoulder line. One well-known hairdresser never recommends it for anyone under 5ft. 7in. in height.

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**CENTRE PARTINGS**

Partings are entirely a matter of choice. The centre parting is perhaps the most popular, provided that the wearer has a wide low forehead. The side partings are invariably short.

Hair workers are as busy to-day as ever. But their art is no longer solely directed to disguising thin hair. Instead, rolls, coils, and plaits are made to transform the appearance of short hair, so that it looks to be full length and admirably dressed for some particular occasion.

The modified Edwardian dressing with the small roll surrounding the whole head, and the same smooth crown, is particularly good for the daytime. It suits the popular hats and caps.

**EVENING MODES**

For the evening the newest suggestion is more intricate. It follows the same upward line and owes its inspiration to the elaborate dressing favoured by the Court of Louis XVI. The new interpretation is freer and far more useful. The hair is brushed up and across the back of the head and slightly waved from left to right. Soft rolled curls, following the same movement, are piled carelessly about the top of the head and clustered softly on the brow. This idea is good for the very young and takes years off the apparent age of older women.

A totally different style is equally fashionable and will appeal to the woman who likes to look tailored at all times. She will like the smooth unwaved crown and the double circlet of flat claw curls that surround the whole head and lie close to it. This dressing shows white and very fair hair to advantage.

Hunting clothes follow an undeviating convention, and this applies to the way the hair is worn as well. Curls beneath a bowler or top hat would be entirely out of place. Instead they are drawn smoothly back, and twisted and pinned into a little knot. A flat pad of hair made from plaited strands is pinned on to this, and the whole head kept perfectly neat by an invisible hair net, which is tied in front.



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12.46 p.m. Rale Da Costa (Piano). "Victoria And Her Hussar"—Medley (Abraham); "Waltz Time"—Medley (Strauss, arr. Levy); Dancing Butterfly (Young and Petker).

1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1.03 p.m. Light Orchestra and Vocal.

For You Only—Serenade (Boulanger); Let Us Dream—Serenade (Robrecht); George Boulanger and His Orchestra; "Home and Beauty" (C. B. Cochran's Coronation Revue); "Magda Neel, Janet Lind and Webster Booth (Vocal); In A Fairy Realm—Suite (Ketelbey); (a) The Moonlight Glade, (b) The Queen Fairy Dances, (c) The Gnomes March—Albert W. Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press; Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Variety.  
"Vocal—Das Gibts Nur Einmal (Gilbert, Heymann and Goehr), Das Ist Die Liebe Der Matrosen (Gilbert and Heymann)—The Melody Gents with Orchestra; Orchestra—"On The Avenue"—Selection—Louis Levy and His Gaumont-British Symphony; Vocal Duets—Tricky Little Tune (McGill), A More Or Less Volga Boat Song (McGill)—Major And Minor; Orchestra—Love Is Love, Anywhere (Arlen), Let's Fall In Love (from the film)—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy; Vocal—Twenty-Five Years Of Popular Songs—1910—1935—Columbia Vocal Gem Company with Orch.

2.15 p.m. Close down.  
6-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

Variations On An Original Theme: Op. 21, No. 1—Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano); Variations On A Theme By Haydn (St. Antoni Choral); Op. 56A Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York Cond. by Arturo Toscanini.  
7.2 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.  
7.30 p.m. Studio—Recital by Molly Balloran (Piano) and Claire Hartge (Violin).

1. Kreisler Selection, 2. Dornroschen (Tschalkowsky), 4. On The Edge of the Lake (Summer Day Suite)—Coates; 5. Three Ballads: In Your Arms Tonight, Parlami d'Amore, Where Are You? 6. Glamorous Nights—Selection (Ivor Novello).  
8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m. Studio—Stephen Burnes (Lyrical Tenor) in a Scottish Programme Accompanied by A. T. Lay (Piano).

1. Annie Laurie, 2. Bonnie, Bonnie Wee Thing, Coronach (Bar-ratt)—A. T. Lay (Piano), 4. Mary O' Argyle, 5. Will Ye No Come Back Again, 6. The Road to the Isles.  
8.30 p.m. Scottish Orchestral.  
8.40 p.m. Variety.  
Organ—Waltz Selection—Reginald Dixon; Vocal—The Whiffenpoof Song (Minnigerode, Pomeroy and Galloway), Vieni Vieni (Koger, Varna and Scott)—Rudy Vallee and Male Quartette with Carroll Gibbons and His Orchestra; Orchestra—Romance In Moonlight—Alfredo Campoli and His Orch.; Comedian—Sandy's Own Broadcasting Station—Sandy Powell; Orchestra—Early Mornin' Blues (Ammons), Mile-Or-Mo Bird Rag (Ammons)—Albert Ammons and His Rhythm Kings; Vocal Duets—Bally The Circus Queen (Weston-Lee), The Legionaire (Warner-Darnell)—Warner and Darnell.  
9.15 p.m. London Relay—"Five Years of Empire Broadcasting" A talk by the Director Of The Empire Service, Mr. J. E. Clark.  
9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m. Songs by Muriel Brunskill (Contralto).

Songs Of The Hebrides—Kish-mul's Galley (Kennedy-Fraser)—In Hebride Seas; The Banks Of Allan Water (Old Scottish Ballad).

10 p.m. Scottish Orchestral.  
The Haymakers (Traditional); Triumph (Traditional); Meg Merrilees (arr. Black); Glasgow Highlander (arr. Black)—Scottish Country Dance Orch. Con: J. M. Black.

10.12 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

During the intervals recorded dance music will be played from Z.B.W.

11.58 p.m. Auld Lang Syne.  
12 p.m. Bells of the Cathedral Ringing in the New Year.  
12.10 p.m. Close down.

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4.15 p.m.—Big Ben; Billy Mayerl, piano. 4.25 p.m.—"B.B.C. Ballroom—1909". 5.05 p.m.—"At The Black Dog". 5.35 p.m.—The News and Announcements 6 p.m.—Recital of Scottish Reels and Dances; Hugh MacMillan, violin. 6.10 p.m.—"Five Years of Empire Broadcasting"—a talk by the director of the Empire Service.

Trans. II (G.S.H., G.S.G., G.S.B.).  
8.45 p.m.—Big Ben; A Grand Christmas Concert will be held in the Landithy Hall, Madron, Cornwall; the following will take part: The Mabe Carol Singers; Peter Sandry, telling tales; Jack Collings, "The Fisherman Bass"; the Elogshayle Handbell Ringers; the Madron Guise Dancers; chairman, Bernard Fishwick. 7.30 p.m.—Organ Recital by E. H. Emery, from St. Congall's Parish Church, Bangor, Northern Ireland. 8 p.m.—The Wessex Players, directed by A. H. Morgan. 8.15 p.m.—"Topical Talks for Seamen", a monthly programme. 8.30 p.m.—Henry Hall and his Dance Orchestra. 9.15 p.m.—"Five Years of Empire Broadcasting". 9.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements.

Trans. III (G.S.H., G.S.G., G.S.B.).  
10.15 p.m.—Big Ben; A Mozart Programme: The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra; Nina Milikina, piano. 11 p.m.—"At The Black Dog". 11.30 p.m.—Jack Hardy's Little Orchestra. 11.45 p.m.—"Five Years of Empire Broadcasting". 4—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m. 12.30 a.m.—"Made in Great Britain"—3: Stourbridge Glass.

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Dr. James Fenton presided, and Capt. G. S. Elliston, M.P. also spoke.

Kolynos Girl. 7.45 p.m. Elzalde y Cia. 8.15 p.m. People's Hour. 8.45 p.m. Filler. 8.50 p.m. Tabacalera's Overseas News Period. 9 p.m. To be announced. 10 p.m. Sign Off.

## PARIS

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They were found guilty of inciting Frederick Beresford Johnston Graves to conspire with them to cheat such persons as might be induced to part with money or valuable securities.

Both Sir John, who is 33, and Howard, had denied the charges. Det.-Insp. White said that Sir John succeeded to his title in 1934. His association with Howard dated back to 1927.

"There is no doubt," said the officer, "that for some years he has associated himself with a number of persons with criminal records, and they have used him for their own interests."

The Recorder, Mr. Gerald Dodson: Has he been a willing or an unwilling participant?—I should say a willing participant.

Insp. White added that on Aug. 17 he had an interview with Lady Chubb, who requested his assistance to get her husband away from associates.

## ALDERMAN FINED

Ald. Thomas Hopper, 59, of Southgate Borough Council, was fined £10 at Enfield for driving while under the influence of drink. He was disqualified for a year.

The alderman's car was said to have collided with another which was waiting at traffic lights. In defence it was stated that during the war he was severely gassed, and was still suffering from after-effects. He had had two small whiskies to ease the pain.

## SYRIAN GOVERNMENT TAKES MEASURE

Beirut, Dec. 29: The first measure taken by the Syrian Government in its campaign announced against Opposition parties was carried out last night when a meeting organised by the Opposition at Damascus was dissolved by the police and the meeting hall closed.

During the early hours of this morning a crowd demonstrated against opposition in the streets of Damascus in favour of the Government.—Transocean News Service

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13.25 National anthem and opening-announcement.

13.30 Stock reports.

13.40 Weekly Review by Mr. L. Aletrino.

14.00 Musical Memories of 1937.

14.20 New-Year's Eve Speech by Mr. P. J. de Kanter.

14.40 New-Year's Eve review.

15.55 Talk by Dr. J. H. Gunning J.H.m.

15.16 Chimes from the cathedral basilica "St. Jan" at a-Hertogenbosch.

16.30 The New-Year to be chimed in by the Amsterdam "Wester-toren."

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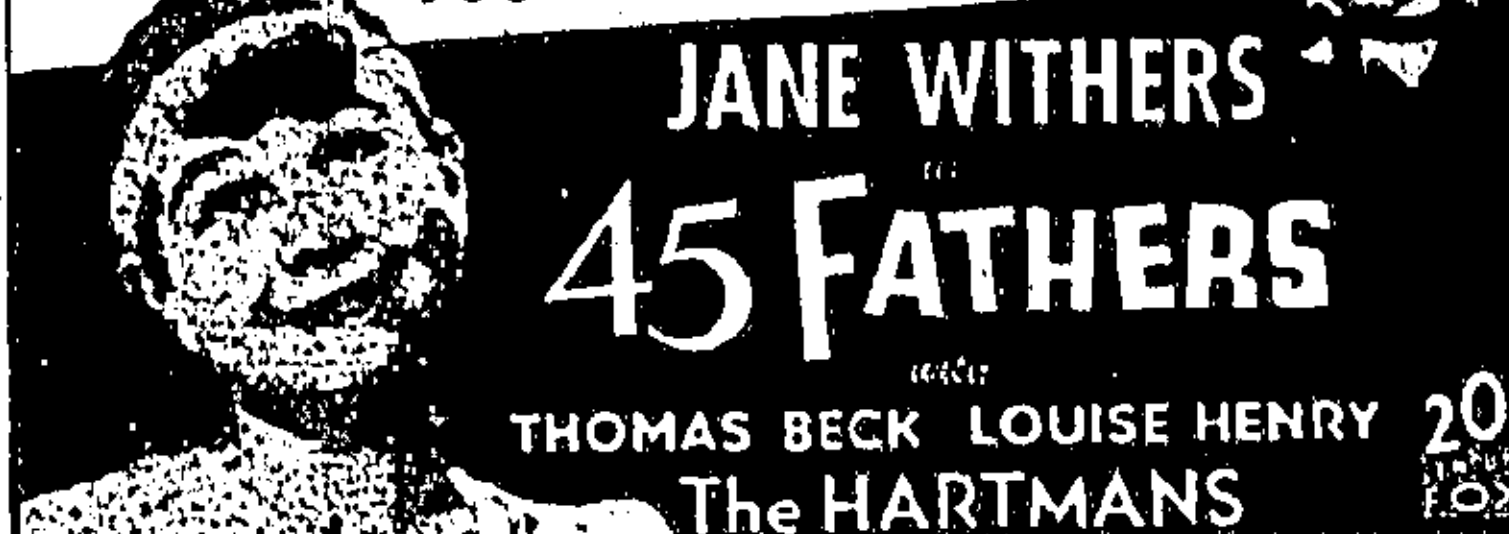


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## TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—"Way Out West"  
QUEEN'S:—"45 Fathers."  
ORIENTAL:—"The Road Back"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—"Born Reckless."  
STAR:—"Street Scene"

MAJESTIC:—"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."

Coming

KING'S:—"Melody For Two"  
QUEEN'S:—"Angel"

ORIENTAL:—"Double or Nothing"

ALHAMBRA:—"Merry-Go-Round of 1938"

STAR:—"Forget Me Not"

MAJESTIC:—"Captains Courageous"

WAY OUT WEST

Imagine, if you can, Laurel and Hardy as a pair of "tender-heels" in the wild and woolly West, back in the Gay '90's, and then start laughing!  
"Way Out West," their latest Hal Roach-M-G-M feature comedy, opening to-day at the King's Theatre, presents the famous comedy team in their first Western picture and it is heralded as a rip-roaring, gunfiring, yippee-whoopie song-dance hit of the season.

When the sad-faced Laurel and the pompous Hardy leave off prospecting in the desert to hitch-hike to town on a stage coach with a valuable deed to a gold mine, they commit a succession of misdeeds that lead to a series of thrilling adventures and hilariously-funny episodes that are carried through eight reels of the picture.

45 FATHERS

When Jane Withers and the Hartmans, eccentric ventriloquists and famed Broadway satirists of the dance, start throwing their voices and dancing around, uproariously funny things happen in the starlet's latest and most laughable, lovable picture, "45 Fathers," Twentieth Century-Fox hit which has its showing at the Queen's Theatre today, in which Thomas Beck and Louise Henry are also featured.

Forty-five millionaire bachelors sign up as Jane's guardians. They try to make a lady out of her, but she almost makes a wreck out of them. They try to give her that finishing-school finish, with Professors Sammy Cohan and George Givot in charge of aesthetic dancing and voice culture, but when the Hartmans show her how to throw voices, dancing and discretion to the winds, it's almost the finish of everybody.

BORN RECKLESS

The roaring motor and screaming tyres of a steel-armoured taxi hurtling with deadly force upon the enemies of law and order brings the shattering impact of a ruthless war against taxicab racketeers to the screen in "Born Reckless," thrilling Twentieth Century-Fox picture which has its run at the Alhambra Theatre to-day.

At the wheel of the impregnable juggernaut, is Brian Donlevy, in a role as tough as the armoured car he drives in his one-man crusade against crime. Taunting death for the fun of it, this devil-may-care thrill-demon likes life danger-spiked and he gets it in double doses when he meets Rochelle Hudson. In a role radically different from anything she attempted before, this lovely star flirts with the hazards that Donlevy courts, and the romance that grows between these two flowers behind bullet-proof glass.

Malcolm St. Clair directed the film at a fast, exciting pace.

KOWLOON TONG CLUB DANCE

A Chinese dinner-dance will be held at the Kowloon Tong Club on New Year's Day from 8.15 p.m. to 2 a.m. The premises are being tastefully illuminated and music will be provided by Micky's Melody Makers.

All who have attended the very enjoyable "cosmopolitan" functions organised by this club in the past, can be assured of a really good evening. Tickets for dinner are \$3.00 while those attending after dinner will be charged \$1.50.

## "RAY OF SUNLIGHT"

Lord De La Warr On Constructive Peace

Britain's talks with the Germans and the French are "just the ray of sunlight peeping through the clouds that gives us assurance that the sunlight has not left the world for ever," said Lord De La Warr, the Lord Privy Seal, speaking at Derby recently to the Midlands area conference of the National Labour organisation.

"Nothing but human folly is keeping us from building a world worth living in," he "The new world is crying out to be brought in—no, to be allowed to come in—and mankind slams the door in its face and prefers to indulge in a race for armaments."

"Not one of the nations of the world really desires war. If only somehow we could all be relieved from the terrible and crushing fear of one another, all the resources of our scientific knowledge and our economic strength could concentrate on things worth while."

This represented the spirit and belief of National Labour. It was in this spirit that they accorded continued support to the National Government, for they knew that Mr. Eden's efforts were directed to positive ends—to peace and to constructive peace.

"We have been accused of cowardice by our old pacifist friends—cowardice for not plunging the country into wars of ideology. But instead of insulting other nations and then refusing to rearm, we have steadily built up the strength of Great Britain so that she can quietly but firmly give the world a lead towards better things."

National Labour could look to the future with confidence. Many members of the old Labour party, sick and tired of a lack of leadership in the wrong direction, were joining the organisation, and many young people, hitherto unattached, were coming in. The greatest tragedy that could happen at the moment would be that people should be made to feel that there was no choice between support of the Labour party, on the one side and the Conservative party on the other.

## THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER A "BART'S" MAN

The Duke of Gloucester became a "Bart's" man recently, when he attended a general court of governors and received the charges of president and of a chief ruler and governor of the hospital. The Duke said that in becoming a governor and President he was maintaining a family tradition, because he succeeded his eldest brother, the Duke of Windsor, his father, and his grandfather. He would always take a close interest in the hospital.

The charge of a chief ruler and governor, which was read to the duke, declared that "having been elected and chosen a governor of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, it is your duty and charge to acquit yourself in that office with all thankfulness and sincerity, endeavouring that the affairs and business of the said hospital may be well ordered and maintained, and promoting the well and advantage of the poor, wounded, sick, maimed, and diseased persons harbouring in the said hospital."

Before leaving the Duke was enrolled as a perpetual student of the medical college, on condition that his work and conduct remained satisfactory to the treasurer of the hospital.

Later the Duke of Gloucester, who is Grand President of the League of Mercy, presided at St.



showing to-day at the King's Theatre

## DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

FRIDAY DEC. 31

Anniversaries and Holidays—New Year's Eve. John Wycliffe died, 1384. Leon Gambetta died, 1882. Hogmanay. St. Sylvester Pope.

Dances.—Grand Carnival Dance at Hotel Cecil, 9 p.m.

Lectures.—Christian Science Lecture by Mr. Paul A. Harsch, in the Christian Science Church, Macdonnell Road, First Church of Christ, Scientist, 5.45 p.m.

Malls.—(See Page 16).

Meetings.—Kowloon Chess Club, at St. Andrew's Hall, 5.30 p.m.; Helena May Christian Fellowship, 10.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous.—Entries close for China War Album Art Cover Design.

Moon.—XI Moon, 29th. Day.

Religious.—St. Andrew's Church Watchnight Service, 11.30 p.m. In the Catholic Cathedral the "Quarant Ore." Te Deum and Benediction.

Social.—Craigengower Cricket Club President's Ball, 9.30 p.m. Sports.—(See Page 10).

Sunrise—7.02 a.m. Sunset—5.49 p.m.

Tides.—High at 10.04 and 20.22. Low at 03.04 and 13.37.

SATURDAY JAN. 1

Malls.—(See Page 16).

Moon.—XI Moon, 30th. Day.

Sports.—(See Page 10).

Sunrise—7.02 a.m. Sunset—5.48 p.m.

Tides.—High at 09.22 and 19.50. Low at 02.27 and 12.55.

## THE PRINCESSES GIVE A PARTY

Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret, standing with their mother, the Queen, in the big picture-gallery at Buckingham Palace at the head of the grand staircase, recently received ninety of their small friends at the first Christmas party given by the Princesses at the Palace. They shook hands with each of their little friends and with the parents who brought them.

In the White Drawing-room the Queen and her two daughters, with their friends, watched the performance by the Scottish Children's Theatre. The five members of the theatre performed nursery rhymes. At the end came a Harlequinade, with Clown, Pantaloon, Columbine, Pierrot, and Harlequin.

The King joined the Queen and the two Princesses during the performance, and afterwards a buffet tea was served. Prince Edward of Kent and Princess Alexandra of Kent were brought over to the Palace from Belgrave Square to join in the party. Queen Mary also drove over from Marlborough House.

## CLOSED MINDS

Lord Hewart is never long out of the judicial limelight. This time he has been announcing bluntly from the Bench that he knows nothing of the film world—and doesn't want to. I don't blame him. Lord Hewart once found himself up against a man who closed his mind to a thing nearer to the judge's heart. He was a taxi-man. "Courts of Justice," said Lord Hewart. "Ain't no such place," said the man grumpily. "No such place!" was the astonished reply. "The Courts of Justice! The Law Courts!" The man opened the door "Law Courts—yus," he said, "but they ain't no Courts of Justice."

James's Palace, at the thirty-eighth annual meeting of Presidents of the League, and in the evening he paid his first visit to H.M.S. President, off Victoria Embankment, and presented prizes to the ship's company.

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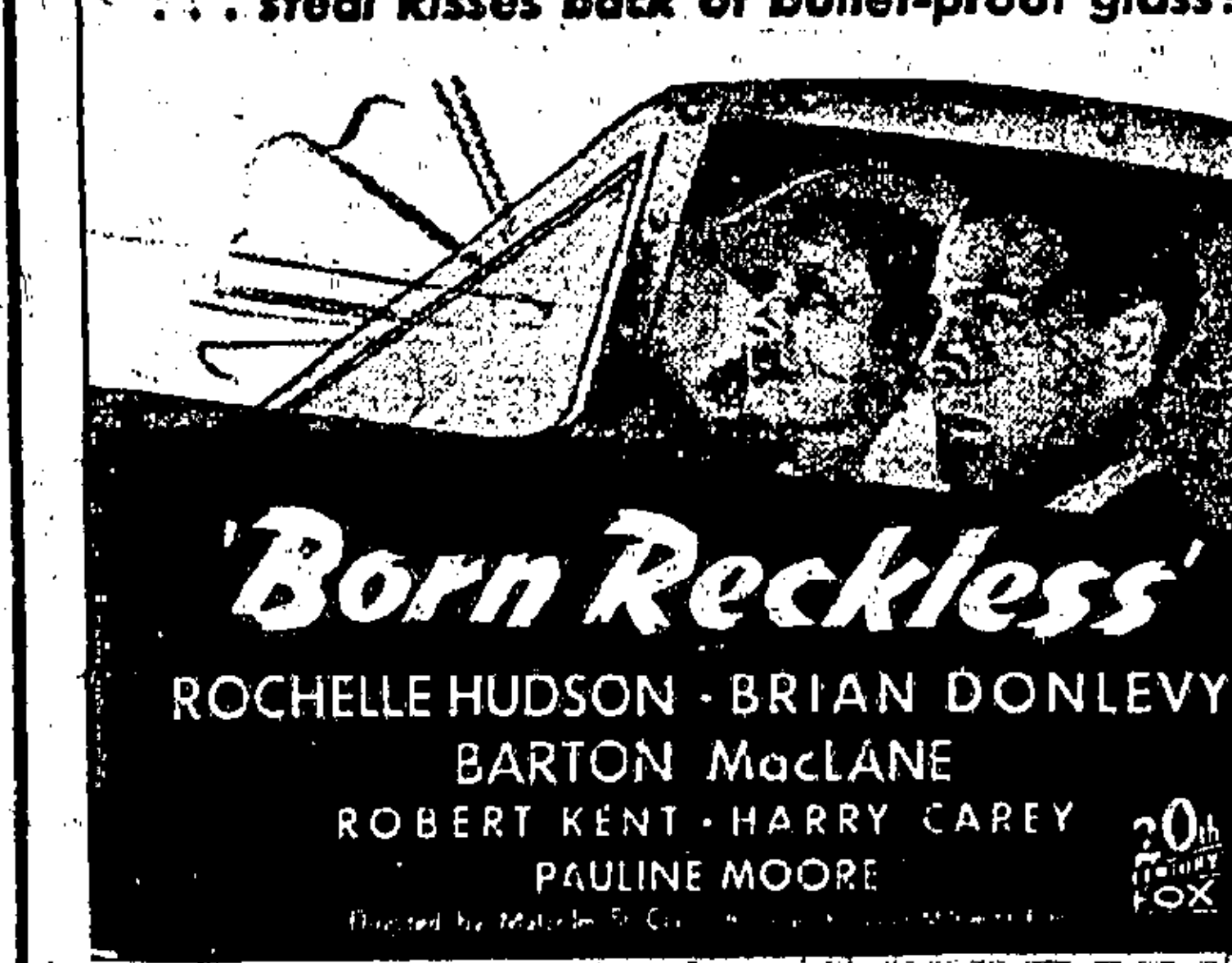
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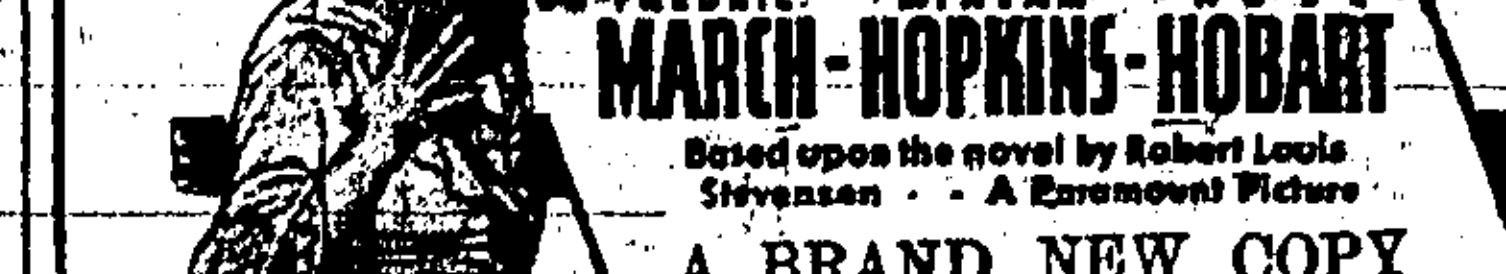
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I have met a little girl who has arrived from China. She travelled through the war zone in a bomb-proof car. "And weren't you afraid?" I asked. "Oh, no," she replied, "you see I had my little bird to look after." She pointed to a cage in the window, in which a strange little white bird with red feet was hopping about. "He's a Chinese sparrow," she said proudly. "There aren't any like him in this country." Home correspondent.

Mayor-Gen. James Douglas McLachlan died at his home in Montagu-place, W., at the age of 68. He retired from the Army 12 years ago, and since 1934 had been a director of the Arsenal Football Club.





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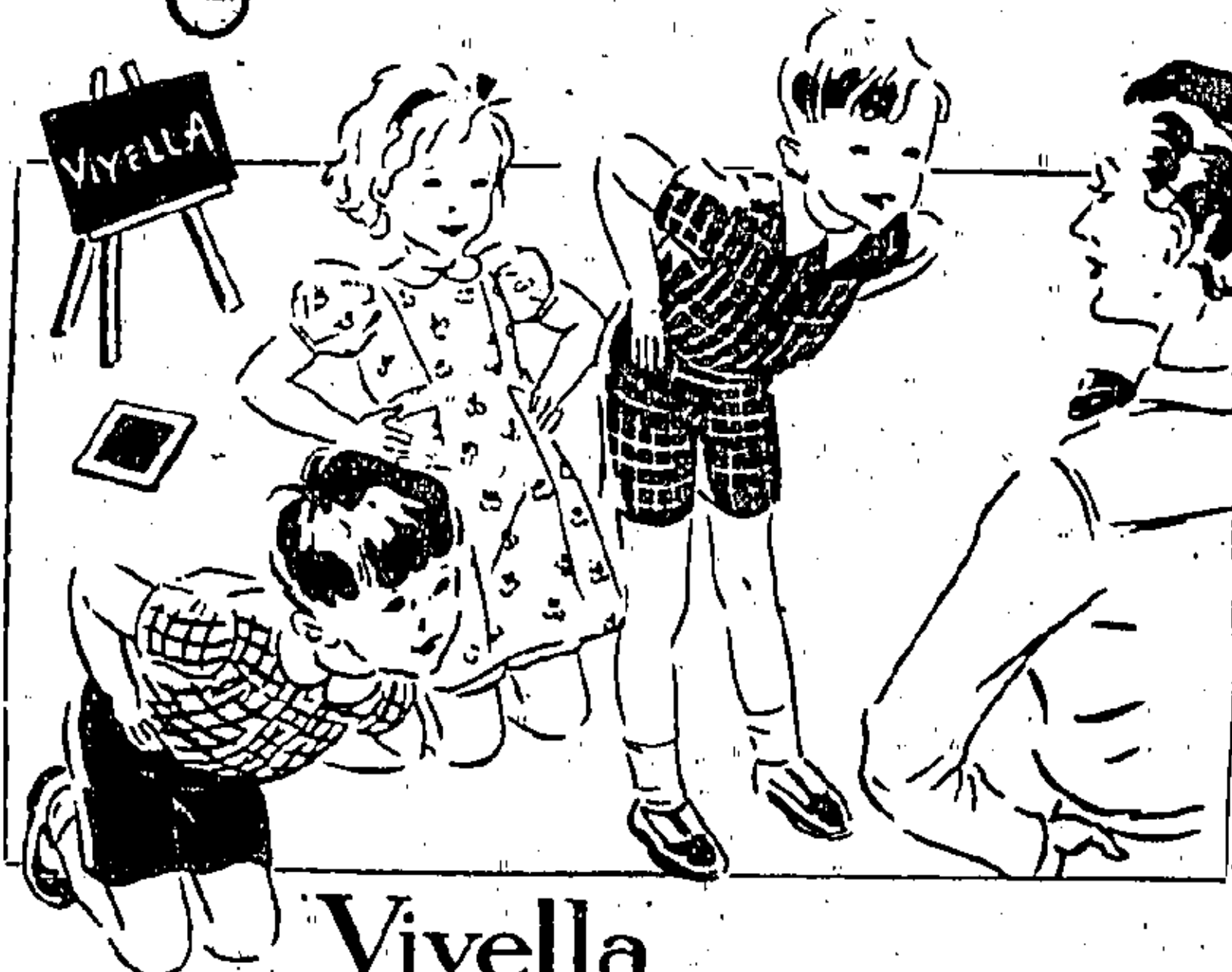
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### Evacuation Proceeds Apace. As Zero Hour Nears

Tsingtao, Dec. 30.

Tsingtao was rocked by a series of explosions in the early hours of yesterday morning as the Chinese blew up the cable heads connecting Tsingtao with Shanghai, Chefoo and Sasebo. The telegraph and wireless offices were also destroyed. Meanwhile the flight of residents for safety has been intensified with the steady advance of the Japanese forces along the Tsingtao-Tsinan railway. Mayor Sheng Hung-leh issued a proclamation urging the inhabitants to evacuate as soon as possible in order to avoid "unnecessary sacrifices."

Much excitement has been caused here by the news that a Japanese destroyer and transport have been sighted off Tsingtao. Four B. and S. steamers left yesterday all crowded with refugees, including many foreigners.

#### SAMPANS' ELDERADO

Tsingtao sampans owners reaped a rich harvest, as the only means by which to reach the steamers, which were anchored in the bay, was by sampans.

Many foreign firms are now preparing to evacuate their Chinese staffs. The question of organising a volunteer corps to maintain peace and order in the event of the disruption of Chinese authority is being seriously considered by foreign residents here. The volunteers would be armed only with batons.

Severe fighting is going on at Winsten, an important railway town between Tsingtao and Tsinan-fu, but despite vigorous Japanese attacks the city is still said to be in Chinese hands.

Japanese aircraft subjected Talan, 25 miles south of Tsinan to a severe air attack yesterday. Talan became the headquarters of General Han Fu-chu on the fall of Tsinan.—*Reuter.*

### TSINGTAO EXPECTS IMMINENT ATTACK

Hsuehchow, Dec. 29: With the Japanese troops fast advancing eastward along the Kiaotsi Railway an ominous air prevails at Tsingtao. In anticipation of an imminent attack final preparations have been rushed under the supervision of Admiral Shen Hung-leh, Mayor of Tsingtao. Admiral Shen has issued a proclamation, urging the Chinese populace to evacuate the city as soon as possible in view of the fact that it will soon be turned into a theatre of war.

More Japanese warships were reported to have arrived outside the Tsingtao Harbour, which has been blockaded by the Chinese authorities. Yesterday Japanese planes made several reconnaissance flights over Tsingtao. Up till a late hour last night the Japanese column advancing along the Kiaotsi was reported to be still west of Weihsen, 183 kilometres west of Tsingtao, their advance being much impeded as a result of the damage of the railway track and bridges by the Chinese forces.

It is apparent that the Japanese intend to launch a simultaneous land, sea and air attack upon the arrival of this column of Japanese troops.—*Central News.*

### CONFUSION OF REPORTS

#### Japanese Statement On Yangtze Incidents

London, Dec. 29. Reports that Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Tokyo, has informed Mr. Koki Hirota, the Japanese Foreign Minister, that the Japanese reply to the British Note concerning the shelling of H.M.S. Ladybird and H.M.S. Bee was unsatisfactory, are authoritatively described as incorrect. No instructions concerning the reply have yet been sent to Sir Robert.

The reports have possibly arisen from confusion with a statement issued by the Japanese military authorities regarding the Ladybird incident. It is understood Sir Robert Craigie may have raised objection to certain passages in the statement. But the military statement is entirely separate from the formal Japanese reply.

The full text of the Japanese military statement has not yet reached London.—*Reuter.*

## SEVERE VISITATION

### Canton Bombed Again

Canton, Dec. 30.

Mr. Granham Barrow, Reuter correspondent, was interviewing Governor Wu Teh-chen this morning when the air raid sirens sounded in Canton, followed a few minutes later by the thud of bombs and the splutter of machine-guns. The bombs were apparently directed on the nearby Provincial Government headquarters.

Government officials hastened in orderly manner into the well-constructed reinforced concrete dug-outs and Governor Wu Teh-chen continued his interview 40 feet below ground, laughing and cracking jokes, and complaining that the Japanese planes were delaying his tiffin party.

Eight out of the twelve planes circling overhead were easily visible from an opening in the dug-outs.

This is the first time since the disastrous Honam bombing, a few weeks ago, that the Japanese invaders have taken this route. Usually they confine their activities to the two railways.

**GENERAL MORALE SPLENDID**  
Whampoa, Fatshan and other points nearby were subjected to the most severe visitation for several weeks. Thirty planes were sighted, according to a telephone call to the Governor from outlying districts.

Down in the dug-outs, it was difficult to ascertain what was actually happening, but anti-aircraft guns and others were silent after five minutes.

A local message stated that three fires were started in the vicinity of Satchuen, which lies a few miles north-west of Shameen.

The Governor later left the dug-out, which holds about 300, and many Chinese women were sitting there quietly awaiting the "all-clear." The general morale was splendid.

According to reports reaching Governor Wu between 15 and 20 bombs were dropped in north-west Canton. Damage and loss of life at present is not known.

The sound of bombs was again heard at 12.45 p.m., but apparently it was some distance away.—*Reuter.*

### AMALGAMATION OF AFFILIATED OFFICES

#### Chinese Government Changes: Announcement Expected Early Next Year

Hankow, Dec. 29.

While the Chinese Government has decided in principle to amalgamate the affiliated Government offices in order to simplify and increase the administration and efficiency in the Government machinery, no definite plans have yet been made. It is learned that an announcement of the changes in personnel and reorganisation of offices is expected early in January. It is reported the Ministry of Railways and Ministry of Communications will be amalgamated into the Ministry of Transport who will have complete control of the country's communications, railway, airways, posts, telegraphs, wireless and shipping.

It is also reported that the Ministry of Industry, the National Economic Council, and the National Reconstruction Commission will be amalgamated into the Ministry for Economic Affairs. The Ministry for Navy is likely to be amalgamated into the Ministry for War. It is rumoured that the amalgamation of the Ministry for Mass Training with the Ministry for Publicity is now believed to be unlikely.—*Reuter.*

### DISASTROUS EARTHQUAKE

Lima, Dec. 30.

Twenty-five were killed and over 100 injured in an earthquake at Okapama, in the province of Piura, in which several villages were destroyed.—*Reuter.*

#### NEW APPOINTMENT

London, Dec. 29.

The King has approved the appointment of Mr. William Robert Mackness, of His Majesty's Consular Service, to be His Majesty's Minister resident at Port au Prince, succeeding Mr. F. M. Shepherd, who is shortly relinquishing his appointment.—*British Wireless.*

## RUMANIA TURNS FASCIST

### New Measures Spell Democratic System's Death

Vienna, Dec. 29.

The situation in Rumania began to look more like a Fascist coup to-day when a series of energetic Government measures were announced, together with the cancellation of the recent elections on technical grounds.

Consequently it is understood the new Parliament will be formally dissolved shortly.

New measures include the replacement of all provincial administrators by National Party members, the dissolution of all municipal councils, the creation of a Propaganda Ministry, and the formation of an army of 200,000 Storm Troops for which a semi-military organisation, already existing in the National Christian Party, will be expanded.—*Reuter.*

### NEW IRISH CONSTITUTION

Dec. 30, 1937.

It is officially stated that the British Government is prepared to treat the new Irish constitution as not effecting any fundamental alteration in position of the Irish Free State. The statement adds that the Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and South African Governments can adopt a similar outlook.

The Government of the United Kingdom cannot recognise the adoption by name of "Eire" or Ireland as involving any rights to territory or jurisdiction over Northern Ireland.—*Reuter.*

### EMPIRE EXHIBITION

Glasgow, Dec. 30.

The "Peace Pavilion" will be included in the Empire Exhibition to be held in Glasgow next year. The pavilion will consist of a number of halls in which it will be demonstrated that a collective system brings security to the world.

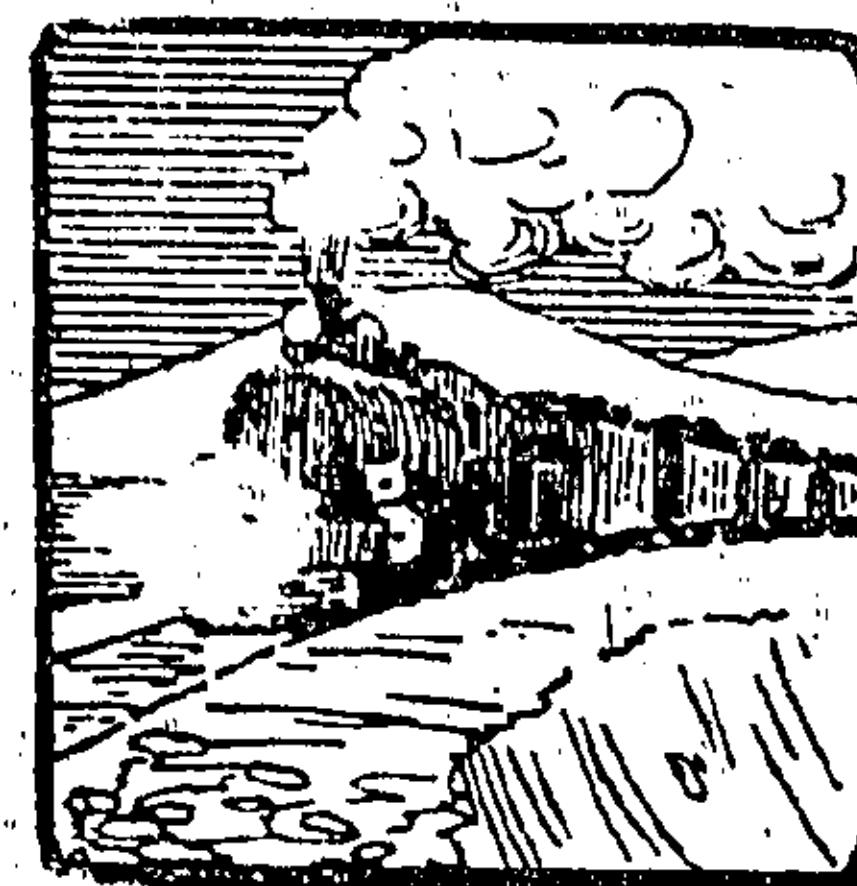
The hall depicts the work of the International Labour Office, while others show the work done in the League Secretariat in social and economic activities.

A record attendance is expected at the Exhibition, whilst 83 tons of catalogues, which were printed in nine languages, have already been distributed throughout the world.—*Reuter.*

#### TO KEEP GOING

Brest, Dec. 30: About a hundred naval officers and men skilled in engineering and electricity are proceeding to Paris to help to keep public services running.—*Reuter.*

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## ROYAL NAVY

**RE-ENGAGEMENT OF RATINGS**  
A new Fleet Order states that, until further notice, ratings who have been out of the Service not more than two years may be considered for re-engagement under the conditions announced in September, 1938, which include the provision of a special engagement bonus of 1s. a day.

It was intended that during the financial year from April 1, 1937, to March 31, 1938, only men who had been discharged to pension for not more than one year would be considered, and that from April 1, 1938, re-engagement would be restricted to men still serving. These provisions have now been cancelled.

## H.M.S. DESPATCH

The cruiser Despatch, Captain E. L. S. King, M.V.O., which returned to Portsmouth on December 1 from the Mediterranean, is to begin a refit on January 3 in preparation for joining the Reserve at this port. The flag of Rear-Admiral L. V. Wells, D.S.O., commanding the 3rd Cruiser Squadron, was transferred from her at Malta to the Delhi, and will be transferred again to the Arethusa next month.

## THE MILFORD'S COMMISSION

The escort vessel Milford will recommission at Portsmouth on December 29 as an independent command for further service on the Africa Station, from which she returned in October for refit. Lieutenant-Commander F. H. Dunlop, late squadron wireless officer in H.M.S. Hood, has already succeeded Lieutenant-Commander M. D. C. Meyrick as executive officer; and Lieutenant P. M. Whalley, who has recently specialized, will be the ship's navigator in succession to Lieutenant P. V. B. Wadlow.

## COMMANDER OF THE EXCELLENT

Commander R. M. T. Taylor, who has returned from two years in command of the Brazen and a division of the 4th Destroyer Flotilla in home waters and the Mediterranean, joined the Excellent, gunnery school, on December 17 as executive officer in succession to Captain G. N. Oliver, promoted in the midsummer list.

## NEW ZEALAND INTERCHANGES

The New Zealand Naval Board have decided that the fourth draft of interchange ratings will not be sent from New Zealand this year, and to this extent the interchange scheme will be held in abeyance for the time being. Arrangements are being made for the repatriation of the 1935 interchange drafts.

## THE ARMY

## REGIMENTAL ALLIANCES

The King has approved that the alliances between The Governor-General's Body Guard, Non-Permanent Active Militia of Canada, and The Queen's Bays (2nd Dragoon Guards) and between The Mississauga (Horse), Non-Permanent Active Militia of Canada, and the 1st King's Dragoon Guards may be continued to The Governor-General's Horse Guards, Non-Permanent Active Militia of Canada (formed by the amalgamation of The Governor-General's Body Guard and The Mississauga (Horse)) by that regiment's alliance to the 1st King's Dragoon Guards and The Queen's Bays (2nd Dragoon Guards).

The King has also approved of the extension of the alliance between The Peterborough Rangers, Non-Permanent Active Militia of Canada, and The Middlesex Regiment (Duke of Cambridge's Own) to include The Prince of Wales Rangers (Peterborough Regiment) (M.G.), Non-Permanent Active Militia of Canada; and of the 6th Light Horse Regiment (New South Wales Mounted Rifles), Australian Military Forces, being allied to the 7th Queen's Own Hussars.

## LIEUTENANT-GENERAL LIDDELL

Major-General C. G. Liddell, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., has been given the local rank of Lieutenant-general on assuming the post of Adjutant-General to the Forces.

## CUP FOR 171ST A.A. BATTERY

The War Office announces that the cup presented by the "Daily Telegraph" and "Morning Post" for competition among air defence units of the Territorial Army has been won for this year by the 171st Anti-Aircraft Battery, 81st (Finsbury Rifles) Anti-Aircraft Brigade, Royal Artillery, Territorial Army. The competition for the cup, which is on a battery and company basis, is held during annual training in camp and com-

presses the following athletic tests:—Running (100 yards and one mile), high jump, and putting or heaving the shot.

## APPOINTMENTS IN INDIA

The Commander-in-Chief in India has made the following appointments at Army Headquarters, New Delhi:—

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel A. H. Craig, I.M.S., as Deputy Assistant Director of Medical Services, in place of Lieutenant-Colonel P. F. A. Grant, O.B.E.

Major F. H. Skinner, 19th Hyderabad Regiment, as D.A.Q.M.G., vice Brevet Major R. M. Hall, M.C., The South Staffordshire Regiment.

Captain G. R. Bradshaw, R.A., as D.A.A.G., vice Major W. A. M. Stawell, M.C., R.E.

Captain G. W. Eden, 2nd Battalion, The Green Howards, as Staff Captain, A. G. Branch.

## NEW COMMANDANTS

The following appointments to the command of battalions have been made:—

Major S. J. Somers-Cox, M.C., to the 1st Battalion, 10th Baluch Regiment.

Major A. R. Street to the 10th Battalion, 19th Hyderabad Regiment.

Lieutenant-Colonel D. R. Mulla to the 1st Battalion, 10th Gurkha Rifles, from command of the 2nd Battalion.

Major M. R. Roberts to the 2nd Battalion, 10th Gurkha Rifles.

## ROYAL AIR FORCE

## STAFF COLLEGE EXAMINATION

The R.A.F. Staff College qualifying examination for all candidates serving at home will be held from January 11 to 13, inclusive, at Ariel House, Strand, the new headquarters of British civil aviation.

The board of officers to invigilate at the examination will be presided over by a group captain appointed by the A.O.C.-in-C., Bomber Command, with a wing commander appointed by the A.O.C.-in-C., Fighter Command, as vice-president. A total of 152 officers of the ranks of squadron leader, flight lieutenant, and flying officer has been approved to sit for this examination.

## POINTS FROM ORDERS

Pilots are to avoid taxi-ing over or landing on the east iron pit covers of the smoke wind indicator apparatus on R.A.F. aerodromes.

The number of covers of permanent passes being used is excessive. Those in serviceable condition which are withdrawn from airman are to be held for reissue with a new inset.

With a view to obtaining greater uniformity in the practice of entering convictions by the civil power on Service conduct sheets, entries which are at present made at the discretion of the C.O. are in future to be made only when the offence is one that has brought disgrace or discredit on the uniform, the Service, or the position which the offender holds. Convictions, &c., in respect of drunkenness will be entered invariably as at present; other entries must be authorized by an officer not below the rank of wing commander.

## REGISTRY WEDDING

A quiet wedding took place at the Registry of Marriages, Supreme Court, yesterday, when Miss Tang Ngai Lin, of No. 116 Main Street, Apilechau, Aberdeen, became the bride of Mr. Leung Ngai Lam, of Cheung Chau.

The ceremony was performed by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, in the presence of Messrs. H. W. Fraser and To Tuen.

## HONG KONG HOTEL CARNIVAL

The Management of the Hong Kong Hotel desires to advise Patrons who have booked tables for the New Year's Eve Carnival at that establishment that the Roof Garden will be open as a Cocktail Bar for the occasion from 7.30 p.m.

## SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTANCY

The annual reunion of Old and present boys of the School will take the form of a fancy dress dance to be held as usual on the school premises at No. 1 Middle Road Kowloon. The dance commences at 8.15 p.m. and refreshments will be served during the evening. There will be prizes given for the best Male and Female fancy dress costumes.

## SEVERN LEIGH APPEAL FAILS

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by neutral shipping in Chinese waters, and Japanese warships were lying off the coast of South China. China has a small fleet of vessels of war and also possesses an Air Force which, according to the newspaper article to which the crew referred, in their letter of September 7 intended to attack enemy vessels cruising close to the waters of Hong Kong, while there is nothing but the vigilance of the Japanese fleet to prevent China mining any part of the waters off her coast line. In such circumstances can it be said that the respondents were unreasonable in holding that their services in the Severn Leigh, a vessel under charter to a Japanese company and flying that company's house flag, was subjected to risks greater than those incidental to an ordinary commercial voyage in times of peace? In my view the matter is concluded by the decision of the House of Lords in Palace Shipping Co. Ltd., v. Calne (1907) A.C. 388, from which I take two citations from the judgments of Lord James of Hereford and of Lord Atkinson.

## A NECESSARY ELEMENT

(p. 394). "In determining what amounts to a justification for seamen refusing to proceed to sea, I do not think that they are called upon to prove by positive and legal evidence that there was an actual probability of capture; their decision has to be formed upon such general information as is at the moment at their disposal. Doubtless their decision must not be based on merely arbitrary grounds. Good faith is a necessary element, and such good faith would not exist unless some reasonable grounds for the refusal can be alleged." (p. 396). "The risk of capture may be so remote as to leave the character of such a voyage practically unchanged or so proximate and imminent as to entirely change its character. It must be a question of degree to be determined in each case on its own special facts; but it would certainly appear to me that a voyage with a contraband cargo, across seas which are admittedly the theatre of war, to a port belonging to one of the belligerents, which is itself a naval base, and therefore likely to be the object of such surveillance and attack as the other belligerent is able to subject it to, or direct against it, is prima facie not an ordinary commercial voyage of a peaceful nature that the crew in this case engaged to serve. And, in my opinion, the burden of rebutting the prima facie presumption above mentioned, and establishing that the risk of capture was so remote that the character of the voyage remained practically unchanged from that which the crew supposed it to be when they signed the articles, rested upon the owners of the ship or their agent, the master. I do not think that they or he discharged that burden simply by proving that at the port from which the voyage across the theatre of war was to commence it was in the opinion of officials in a position to judge that, owing to the crippled condition of the naval forces of that belligerent by whom capture, if it was to take place, was to be apprehended, there was no real risk or danger of capture at all."

The good faith of the respondents has never been challenged. There has been no suggestion that the course they adopted was inspired by any motives other than those which they stated. The onus of satisfying the Court that the risk was so remote as to leave the character of the voyage practically unchanged is on the master, and in my opinion he has failed to discharge it.

It follows therefore that this appeal fails.

## SECOND JUDGMENT

In his judgment, Mr. Justice Fraser said: The facts are briefly that a British ship, the Severn Leigh, under charter with the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Limited, a Japanese firm, was in Hong Kong bound for Hongay in ballast in order to take a cargo of coal to Milki and Wakamatsu in Japan.

On September 6, 1937, before the date on which the ship was due to leave for Hongay, the crew demanded extra money for war risks or to be paid off.

The ship's articles were dated March 10, 1937. Although clause 16 of the charter party provides that the steamer shall not be ordered to any ports blockaded or where hostilities are being carried on and there is the usual provision that the contract is voidable in case of war in which Britain is involved, there is nothing either in the charter party or the ship's articles

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## ANNUAL NAVAL INSPECTION

## Vice-Admiral Crabbe Takes Salute

The annual inspection and march past of the naval landing parties was held at the Race Course yesterday morning when the large number of spectators who turned out to watch the proceedings were rewarded with a really brilliant spectacle.

Vice-Admiral L. E. Crabbe, acting Commander-in-Chief of the China Station during the indisposition of Admiral Sir Charles Little, took the salute and inspected the four hundred seamen and marines.

His Excellency the G.O.C., Major General A. W. Bartholomew and Commodore E. B. C. Dicken stood by Admiral Crabbe's side as he took the salute.

Mrs. Bartholomew and Mrs. Dicken were present, as were also Flag Capt. J. C. Leach (H.M.S. Cumberland), Capt. C. B. Barry, D.S.O. (H.M.S. Medway), Capt. A. E. M. B. Cunningham Graham (H.M.S. Tarantula), Capt. C. Coppinger, D.S.C. (H.M.S. Capetown), Capt. C. Moody (H.M.S. Eagle), Brigadier A. B. Thomson, Col. N. M. S. Irwin, Major C. A. Power, R.M., Captains and officers of the French sloop Dumont d'Urville and the Portuguese warship Goncalo Celho.

Capt. H. Hickling, R.N., was in command of the parade and the Royal Marines company was commanded by Capt. R. M. Giddy, R.M.

## SMART FORMATION

The G.O.C. arrived shortly before 10 a.m. and saluted the parade which was drawn up to attention. A few minutes later Admiral Crabbe drove on to the ground and walked to the saluting base facing the long line of seamen and marines. The general salute was given as the Union Jack was unfurled.

Accompanied by Capt. Hickling and his staff, Admiral Crabbe then inspected the men, walking along the front line and then the rear line, also inspecting the bands of H.M.S. Eagle and H.M.S. Cumberland, which were included in the parade.

The landing parties then marched past the saluting base in very smart formation, the bands playing appropriate marches while Admiral Crabbe took the salute.

The landing parties comprised, in order, men of H.M.S. Cumberland, H.M.S. Adventure, H.M.S. Eagle, H.M.S. Lowestoft, H.M.S. Falmouth, H.M.S. Westcott, H.M.S. Medway and the 4th Submarine Flotilla, the 8th Destroyer Flotilla and Royal Marines.

## CANTON PROFESSOR ROBBED

Committal proceedings were begun at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when Lo Kam, a 32-year-old unemployed appeared before Mr. K. Keen on a charge of armed robbery, alleged to have been committed at No. 257, Reclamation Street, second floor on November 3. Detective Inspector A. E. Carey conducted the case for the prosecution and told the Court that on the evening of November 3, when the occupants of the house, professor Wong Ngai-wan of the Canton University and his wife and daughter were away, defendant entered the premises by a trick, together with another man and held up the amah, Hui Mai, with a knife and after having tied her with rope confined her into a cupboard.

About 9 p.m. when Mr. Wong returned he found that his house had been ransacked and two suit cases, one passport, two fountain pens, three blankets and 23 pieces of clothing were missing. A report of this incident was made to the Yau-mat Police Station.

On December 11, on information received, a Chinese detective went to No. 8, Hamilton Street and arrested defendant. Together with the detective defendant went to various pawn shops and second-hand shops and pointed out the clothing which he pawned and sold. An identification parade was held on December 12, and the amah identified defendant without hesitation.

Corroborative evidence was given by Mr. Wong Ngai-wan and the amah after which the case was adjourned till to-day.

## HEALTH RETURNS

Three cases of diphtheria, one of enteric fever, two of cerebro-spinal fever and one of dysentery were reported to the local Health Authorities during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Wednesday.



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- (3) Tricycle and Driver Licence.
- (4) Public Motor Vehicle Licences.
- (5) Motor Vehicle Permits.

Before relicensing tricycles must be taken for inspection to No. 2 Police Station, Wanchai, or Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station, Kowloon, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon between January 3rd and January 24th, 1938.

C. G. PERDUE,  
Inspector General of Police.  
31st December, 1937,  
Hong Kong.

### NOTICE

#### ARMS LICENCES.

Holders of Arms Licences are reminded that Arms Licences are due for renewal on 1st January, 1938 (Fee \$10.00 per licence). Licences should call at the Accounts Office, Police Headquarters between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily (Sundays and Public Holidays excepted), with their arms and licences.

C. G. PERDUE,  
Inspector General of Police.  
30th December, 1937.

## MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

The January Race Meeting will be held at Areia Preta, Macao, on Sunday, 2nd January, 1938, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By order,  
S. W. CHENG,  
Secretary.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

### BANK HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transactions of PUBLIC BUSINESS on SATURDAY, the 1st January, 1938. (The first week-day in January.)

Hong Kong, 29th Dec., 1937.

### BRITISH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TIENTSIN

#### VACANCY FOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

No. 37/37

Applications are invited from British subjects for the post of Electrical Engineer to take charge of the Electricity Department of the British Municipal Council, Tientsin.

The initial salary to be offered is Chinese Dollars 1,290.00 per month, (\$860 basic salary plus fifty per cent. repatriation allowance).

Candidates must be either Associate Members or Member of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, and should be between 35 and 45 years of age. Candidates must have had sound technical training in Electrical Engineering, have held responsible posts in Municipal or Company's Electrical Undertaking supplying both Alternating Current and Direct Current, and must have good administrative and organising ability with commercial experience.

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Applications giving age, details of education, whether married or single, training and experience accompanied by copies of testimonials should be addressed to the undersigned so as to reach Tientsin not later than February 15, 1938.

By Order,  
T. Y. CHEN,  
Acting Secretary.

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An agreement has been signed between His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., and Cable & Wireless, Ltd., for the transfer to the latter company of the fixed station commercial radio communications of the Colony as from January 1st, 1938.

The present Radio Traffic Office will remain in the P. & O. Building, Des Voeux Road, until the end of January, after which the Office will be transferred to the Offices of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd. (hereinafter to be known as Cable & Wireless, Ltd.).

Mobile Station Services (Ships at Sea and Aviation), Broadcasting and certain other services will remain under Government control.

### PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF THE Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of Jan., 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at King's Road near Quarry Bay in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, \$200.00 in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

#### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sub-Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Content in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Annual Rental.	Deposited Price.
1	Inland Lot No. 6080, Adjoining Inland Lot No. 3036, King's Road.	As per sale plan.	About 7,500 sq. ft.	138	1,200	5850

### USHERING IN THE NEW YEAR

The flashing of the three white lights from the signal mast of the Royal Observatory, which is usually given at 9 p.m. each night, will be repeated at midnight to-night. The termination of the last flash will mark the close of the year 1937 and signify the advent of the new year.

**BIRTH**  
FARMER—At the War Memorial Nursing Home on December 30, 1937, to Dorothy the wife of C. L. Farmer, a daughter.

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### FAREWELL 1937

The world will bid farewell to the year nineteen hundred and thirty-seven to-night with, no doubt, the usual attendant merriment and hilarity for it has become a human trait that the dying year shall be seen out, as it were, with the singing of the immortal words of "Auld Lang Syne" penned by Robert Burns and the new year ushered in with even greater spontaneity of song and revelry.

The new year will see the birth of new resolutions, new ideals.

On this last day of the year it is usual to look back in retrospect and take stock of what has happened.

Chaos and tragedy have combined to make this year one of the blackest pages in the history of the modern world. The Japanese war of aggression on China, begun with a mife incident in July, has assumed major proportions engaging the constant attention of other Powers, especially Britain and the United States. The Civil War in Spain which has been in progress since February, 1936, continues unabated with reports daily filtering in from the various fronts.

Then there has been piracy in the Mediterranean, serious trouble in Palestine, motor factory strikes in America and political unrest in Rumania.

Events of political significance have engaged worldwide attention and principal among these was the visit of Mussolini to Berlin. Lord Halifax saw Herr Hitler on German soil shortly after the French Premier, M. Chamberlain, and Foreign Minister, M. Delbos, went to No. 10 Downing Street for conversations with Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Mr. Eden, Foreign Secretary. The German colonial question formed the basis for these important parleys.

Turning to Hong Kong one finds that the year has been one filled with events the sum total of which characterises 1937 as difficult. The Colony bade farewell to a very able administrator in the person of Sir Andrew Caldecott whose transfer to the Governorship of Ceylon caused widespread regret. Towards the end of August shortly after the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities in the Shanghai area, Hong Kong became a haven for thousands of refugees from the North and added to the problem of housing and feeding of this unprecedented influx of humanity to our shores was the outbreak of a cholera epidemic which claimed over one thousand deaths.

Hong Kong was plunged in the throes of more distress when in the early hours of September 2 a typhoon, the worst in the history of the Colony, brought untold damage to the Island and mainland, and especially among shipping.

But there is always the brighter side to every picture and in this light the most outstanding event of all was the Coronation of King George VI.

and Queen Elizabeth. The Colony played its part well in sharing the three-day programme of festivities which brought joy and happiness throughout the Empire.

There was further progress achieved during 1937 in the field of aviation the record-breaking flights of Miss Jean Batten, the intrepid New Zealand aviator, taking pride of place.

In shipping the Clyde reported a record year, the first since 1930, with very bright prospects for 1938.

Death, the inevitable end to all things, claimed many men of world fame: Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, ex-Premier of Britain; Lord Runciman; Lord Rutherford, the eminent scientist; Mr. Justice Rigny Swift; Viscount Snowden; Mr. John D. Rockefeller; Mr. Andrew Mellon; Sir Johnson Forbes-Robertson, to name but a few.

The year 1937 with its trials, troubles and tragedies will sink into oblivion and as we enter another year to-morrow let us unite in the bonds of friendship and brotherly concord and strive to do our utmost in the cause of peace among all nations and men, remembering the words of an old Chinese proverb, "The army should be always ready but never used."

### THE NURSE'S LIFE

Conditions in the nursing profession were debated at some length in the House of Commons recently when Mr. F. O. Roberts sought a second reading for a Bill to limit the hours of work in hospitals run by local authorities.

The Bill was rejected, but not through lack of sympathy with its aim. Some members experienced in hospital management felt that its sudden imposition of a uniform limit to working hours throughout the country might create chaotic conditions. A greater number took the view that the regulation of working hours is one only of the reforms needed if nursing is to attract enough recruits, and that before taking action on this question alone it would be well to await the report of the Committee on Nursing set up by the Minister of Health, which has just begun its investigation. Sir Francis Fremantle, who is a member of that Committee, brought some vigorous criticism upon himself for his view that legislative regulation of nursing conditions is to be resisted, since it would "suffice the spirit of service that comes down from the days of the old religious houses."

Most members were concerned to point out, that since by the nature of their calling nurses cannot adopt the methods of other workers to have their grievances redressed there is the more reason to see that they get fair play, that a tired nurse is an inefficient nurse, and that in the hospitals, of which there are already several, where a ninety-six-hour fortnight has been instituted it has been found to work well. Mr. Roberts asserted that working hours may vary in different institutions from forty-eight to as many as eighty a week, and it is clear that this problem, together with those of training, discipline, living conditions, and provision for old age, will have to be firmly tackled by the forthcoming report.

### HIDDEN IN HIS SHOES

Twenty-five taels of raw opium were found hidden in the shoes of a seaman, Li Fuk, aged 38, at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station on Tuesday. As a result of this discovery, Li was charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday with possession of a dangerous drug. Defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with the option of a fine of \$400.

## HONG KONG IN 1937

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Wharf. The Night Star managed to return to the Hong Kong wharf where she was berthed. Passengers were all landed safely and she sank within a few minutes.

On April 18, H.E. Sir Andrew and Lady Caldecott sailed from the Colony for Home prior to Sir Andrew taking up his appointment as Governor of Ceylon.

May 12, 13 and 14 featured the Coronation celebrations in Hong Kong.

On the night of May 13 Mr. David Chen Sze, managing director of the Sincere Company, was murdered in Prince Edward Road.

**BOILER DISASTER**  
A terrible boiler explosion occurred on the night of May 17 aboard the O.S.K. steam launch Dojima Maru when she was preparing to leave Queen's Statue Pier with emigrant passengers, all Japanese. The disaster will rank as one of the worst in the history of the Colony, and claimed no less than 50 victims, 29 of whom were killed outright.

The following Coronation honours for Hong Kong were awarded:—Knighthood—Mr. Vandeulor Molyneux Grayburn; C.M.G.—Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith; O.B.E.—Mr. Dudley L. King; M.B.E.—Capt. H. Westlake, D.C.M. and Mrs. T. H. King.

**UNIVERSITY REPORT**  
The Report of the University (1937) Committee, which was appointed by Sir Andrew Caldecott on December 15, 1936, was tabled at the Legislative Council on May 28.

The Commodore, Rear-Admiral C. G. Sedgwick, R.N. (retd.) and Mrs. Sedgwick sailed for Home on retirement on May 28.

**BARRISTER THREATENED**  
A sensational disclosure was made at the Kowloon Magistracy on May 31 when the acting Senior Kowloon Magistrate, Mr. E. Himsforth, announced that what had amounted to a threat against his person had been made against Mr. Hin-shing Lo, the well-known local barrister.

**RETIREMENTS**  
Mr. Kenneth Edward Greig, J.P., Manager of the Takook Dockyard and Engineering Company of H.K. Ltd. left for Home on retirement on June 11. Mr. Greig had been connected with the Takook Dockyard since 1909.

Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, C.M.G., Director of Medical Services, also left for Home on retirement on June 11.

### "IRON LUNG" MAN

Mr. Fred Snite, 22-year-old son of an American millionaire, who has been encased in an iron lung with which he lived since he entered the Peking Union Medical College on March 31, 1936, when he was stricken with infantile paralysis during a voyage aboard the "Empress of Britain" between Shanghai and Peking in 1936, passed through Hong Kong in June on his way to America, where, on arrival specialists stated that it would take several years for the patient to completely recover.

**CHOLERA EPIDEMIC**  
Introduced from Canton at the end of July, cholera assumed epidemic proportions in August after which there was a gradual decline until the end of November when the last case occurred. In all there were 1,690 cases with 1,081 deaths, which represents a mortality of 64 per cent.

The influx of refugees from Kwangtung and war-stricken Shanghai, coinciding as it did with the cholera epidemic, increased the difficulties of the public health authorities. It is estimated that at one time there were between 100,000 and 200,000 extra persons to house and feed in the Colony.

On September 2, a severe typhoon caused considerable damage to Hong Kong. Aberdeen fishing fleet foundered at sea; 450 drowned.

Sir Geoffrey Northcote, new Governor of Hong Kong, arrived on October 28. The public Address of Welcome.

A case of murder by arsenic poisoning was heard in the Supreme Court during the December Sessions.

### FRENCH VESSEL SEARCHED

Paris, Dec. 30.  
The French steamer, Yolande, which was attacked by insurgent warships but rescued by a French cruiser and escorted to a French port, has been searched, as the insurgents alleged that she was carrying arms.

The cargo was discovered to be tobacco and dry beans only.

Reuter.

## MASSED RETREAT BY SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS

### Splendid Programme

Impressive and striking was the massed retreat held at Murray Barracks Parade ground yesterday evening, when, for the first time since their arrival in this Colony, the First Battalion The Seaforth Highlanders paraded to the accompaniment of regimental music combining military band, drums and pipes.

A large crowd of civilians and servicemen attended while passers-by were also attracted to the scene.

At 5 p.m. the programme commenced with the buglers sounding the "Retreat."

Led by Drum Major J. M. Wilkie and Pipe Major D. R. McLennan, the massed retreat was a great success.

Perhaps the most impressive of all was "Light Of Foot," a military band march, which was much appreciated by the spectators.

Amongst those present were H.E. the General Officer Commanding, Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, the Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Officers and men of the Services and their families, and a large number of civilians.

The programme was as follows:—Buglers "Retreat"; Pipe Band (Regimental Retreat); "I have a wife of my ain"; Pipe Band (Retreat); "MacGregor of Rora"; Band and Bugles (March) "Aldershot"; Pipe Band forming Circle; (a) Slow March, "The Road to the Isles"; (b) March, "Til gang nae mair ta yon Toon"; (c) Strathspey, "Blair Drummond"; (d) Reel, "Pretty Marion"; (e) Reel, "Military Band (Slow March), 'The Colours'; (March) "Light of Foot"; (March Off), "Happy we've been a' together."

### WALL STREET RECOVERS

New York, Dec. 29.  
President Roosevelt's hint of increased naval building served to drag the Wall Street stock market from yesterday's depression and, with spirited buying, all leading issues advanced from one to three points. Steels and Aircraft leading the rise.

Traders generally are inclined to read into President Roosevelt's statement an indication that the Government might be resuming "pump-priming" activities in the shape of assistance to heavy industries with resulting all-round beneficial effects to industry. Assistant Attorney-General Jackson's speech has caused indignation, but has had little apparent effect on the market.

Reuter.

### DEATH OF MR. W. HILL

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. William Hill, First Class Sanitary Inspector, which occurred at the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday following a lengthy illness.

Born on January 28, 1888 at Redhill, Kent, the late Mr. Hill joined the Sanitary Department on March 23, 1913, but from May 6, 1917 to March 12, 1919 he was seconded for military office. Before joining the Government service here, Mr. Hill was at the Bowen Road Military Hospital where he was popularly known to his colleagues as "Colonel Hill."

The deceased was a member of the Civil Service Cricket Club and used to be a very keen lawn-bowler. He was a member of the 1926 Sanitary Department team that won the Inter-Departmental Shield.

The deceased is survived by a widow and a son, William Roland Hill, for whom the deepest sympathy will be felt. The funeral takes place this evening, passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

### FAILED TO "BLACK OUT"

Kwok Lum, an electrician employed by the advertising department of the Wing On Company Ltd., was summoned before Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday for failing to extinguish 24 lights which were visible from the air during the period of the "Black Out" on December 9.

Defendant said that the lights were controlled by an automatic switch which was timed to extinguish the lights at 8 p.m. Some mechanism had broken down and the switch had failed to do its work.

A fine of \$40 was imposed.



## GERMANY AND FAR EAST

### Advice To Britain And U.S.

The Far Eastern situation continues to be the focus of political interest here, mainly from the point of view of the helplessness of the Western democracies in face of the Japanese menace to their rights and interests in China, writes a Berlin correspondent.

Sections of the Press, ever ready to make capital for the "world-political triangle," Japan-Italy-Germany, out of the achievements of the Japanese armed forces, have already described the establishment of the new provisional Government in Peking as the beginning of a new era in Eastern Asia, to which all the Western Powers will have to accustom themselves as best they can.

This is not to be taken as indicating that Germany will take the first opportunity of recognizing the new Government. Little is known about the Peking Administration so far except that it seems to be compounded of veterans whose political careers were thought to lie far in the past. For the rest, General Chiang Kai-shek still lives, the future course of hostilities is unpredictable, and German trade with China is larger than that of any other country except the United States and Japan.

In these circumstances the more moderate official quarters will try to remain on the fence until they can see more clearly into the future. They will, however, have to reckon with Party influences which, having hitched the German wagon to the star of the anti-Comintern Pact, are prepared to lose a little commercially if it will help to justify the "triangle" as a decisive factor in world politics. Meanwhile, the Party extremists are restrained somewhat by the fear that the disappearance of General Chiang Kai-shek would mean Bolshevism in China.

#### THE YANGTZE OUTRAGES

It is perhaps typical of this divided sentiment that the Foreign Office should make representations to Japan in connexion with at-

tacks on a British ship which had three German diplomatists on board, while no reference was made to this step in the Press. The newspapers, indeed print ironical articles on the outcry made in Great Britain and America against the Japanese attacks on foreign warships and merchant vessels in the Yangtze. The writers find it very easy to explain the incidents as mistakes made in the confusion of battle by the Japanese airmen and gunners. That they are painful to all concerned is admitted, but it is asked what else can be expected if Britain and America send ships into the war zone or do not withdraw them in time. According to the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," the British and American warships had no more right to expect that they would not be fired upon than would a neutral ship had it wandered into the middle of the Battle of Jutland. Britain and America are advised to keep their ships out of the danger zone instead of exposing them to unavoidable accidents by standing on so-called rights to maintain warships in the Yangtze. In any case, it is suggested, rights which cannot be enforced can hardly be said to exist.

It can hardly be said, however, that Germany took such a practical view of the situation when her own ships were endangered in the Spanish war zone.

## CHINESE DOUBT JAPAN'S WORDS

No Peace Possible Unless Integrity Respected

Hankow, Dec. 30.

Certain Powers, it is reliably learned, are again active in attempts at mediation, but owing to the failure of the previous attempt there is also small likelihood of success in the present venture. All Chinese circles are maintaining a strong stand and contend that to give any information at the present juncture may kill whatever little chance of success that exists.

Meanwhile Chinese circles are anxious to have further elucidation on General Matsui's statement. They want to know the "meaning" of his utterance that Japan has no territorial ambitions in China and wants to give China time to consider her attitude.

General Matsui's statement, they point out, seems hardly compatible with the Japanese occupation of Tsinan and the advance of Japanese forces towards Tsingtao. The establishment of the so-called "provisional government" at Peiping, and the ultimatum delivered to Gen. Yen Hsi-shan to sever his connection with the Central Government and co-operate with Japan.

Chinese circles state that peace or continuation of war depends largely on the sincerity of the Japanese military to carry out their assurances to respect China's territorial and administrative integrity. Without such respect, they declare no peace is possible. — *Reuter.*

## CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS

Egypt Situation Acute

London, Dec. 30.

The Egyptian constitutional crisis has become still more acute with the rejection of King Farouk's proposal to elect a mediator, according to a report from Cairo yesterday which states that rupture between the King and the Cabinet is unavoidable. It is expected that the King will entrust the President of the Senate, Ahmed Maher, with the formation of a Cabinet. — *Transocean.*

#### DISORDERS FEARED

Cairo, Dec. 30.

It is stated that the Court on Thursday rejected on principle the proposals submitted by Nahaas Pasha of reaching a compromise so that it is now manifest that the differences in regard to the constitutional question cannot be bridged over. Under the circumstances political circles expect that Nahaas Pasha will resign in the course of Thursday.

Grave disorders are feared in the event of the fall of the Cabinet. — *Transocean News Service.*

#### FATE OF TSINGTAO

Shanghai, Dec. 30: The situation in Tsingtao according to Japanese military circles here recalls that of Nanking before the fall of the latter city. It is stressed that after the destruction of the wireless station and cutting of telegraph and telephone wires by the Japanese, Tsingtao and the en-

## MOSCOW NAMED BEHIND PARIS STRIKE WAVE

### ALLEGED BLACKMAILING METHODS OF POLITICAL GANGSTERS

TRANSPORT WORKERS RESUME WORK

Berlin, Dec. 30.

Commenting on the successive strike waves which have been breaking over France during the past year and have now reached a dangerous climax in the general strike of Paris transport workers the "Voelkischer Beobachter" writes that diplomatic considerations prevented the French Premier, M. Camille Chautemps, from naming in his statement to the press yesterday those who were responsible for the strike and who systematically ferment disorder in France. Otherwise, says the paper, the Premier could have had to name the allies of his own country to whom the latter were bound by military and cultural pacts.

But everyone, according to the paper, knows that the fermenters of the strike are to be found in Moscow.

Only a few days ago it had been openly admitted in Paris that the new strike wave in France had a purely political character which, in plain words, means that it had been dictated by Moscow. The paper goes on to say that what the world was now witnessing in France is the result of well-known blackmailing methods of political gangsters of Kremlin who under the pretext of collective security, are everywhere seeking to destroy security and sowing the seeds of discontent and disorder. — *Transocean News Service.*

#### FEARED CONSEQUENCES

Paris, Dec. 30: The transport strike leaders decided at 4.30

o'clock this morning to call off the strike and order the immediate resumption of work. The resolute action taken by the French Government and its threat to employ troops for maintaining all essential services have induced the strike leaders to give way as they feared the consequences of allowing matters to come to a head. Apparently they have accepted the Trade Union's advice to show moderation although the Trade Union headquarters have been surprised by the quick response to their appeal. It is generally expected that Paris will return to normal conditions during the early hours of to-day. — *Transocean News Service.*

## JAPANESE FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO CROSS CHIANTANG RIVER

Kinhwa, Dec. 30: Japanese troops on the north bank of the Chiantang River made an unsuccessful attempt to cross over to the south bank last night.

Taking advantage of the drizzling rain and darkness a detachment of Japanese troops, armed with machine-guns, tried to cross the river in five launches late last night.

Chinese forces on the south bank remained quiet until the invaders came near and then they sprayed them with machine-gun fire. As a result, the Japanese were practically wiped out.

Early this morning the Japanese sent out an engineering corps to repair the Chiantang River Bridge, which was blown up by the Chinese after their retreat from Hangchow under the cover of a protective barrage.

Chinese batteries on the south bank replied and effectively shattered the Japanese efforts by killing over 20 members of the engineering corps. — *Central News.*

#### DISMISSAL OF NAHAS PASHA

Cairo, Dec. 30: "Unsatisfactory conduct of business" is given in the Royal decree as the reason for the dismissal from office of the Premier, Nahaas Pasha. Informed quarters here state that the new Cabinet will consist of 15 members some of whom will be without portfolios and that it is not intended to include either the leader of the Wafdist group nor the President of the Chamber. — *Transocean.*

virioning district will be entirely cut off from the outside world. — *Transocean.*

## JAPANESE PROPERTY IN TSINAN DESTROYED

FOREIGNERS SAFE

Tokyo, Dec. 30.

All Japanese public establishments at Tsinan including the Consulate-General, police station, official residences of Japanese Consular officials, the Japanese hospital and elementary school buildings were burnt by Chinese troops before retreating from Tsinan according to Japanese reports which adds that Japanese private houses were not burnt but were found to have been systematically looted.

Peace and order at Tsinan has now been restored by Japanese troops in co-operation with the so-called Peace Maintenance Commission organised by leading Chinese citizens with the Mohammedan general, Ma Liang, as Chairman.

All in the foreign colony including 50 Germans, 33 Americans, 38 Britons, 22 Czechs and two Swiss are safe.

The Chinese troops which retreated from Tsinan apparently plan to rally at Tian. — *Reuter.*

#### COAL MINES BLOWN UP

Shanghai, Dec. 30.

Japanese coal mines at Nanting, Changking and Fangtse along the Tsinan-Tsingtao Railway were blown up by Chinese troops according to Chinese reports. — *Reuter.*

## Japan Not In Position To Invade South China At Present

### OCCUPATION OF WONGCUM ISLAND RECALLS BOUNDARY DISPUTE

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Canton, Dec. 30. While the recent scare at Blas Bay and the landing of Japanese marines at Wangcum Island near Macao may have caused some nervousness in some quarters, official circles in Canton do not believe that Japan is at present in a sufficiently strong position to invade South China on a large scale.

It is pointed out that the Japanese forces are at present fully occupied in the Nanking-Shanghai area and North China. The consensus of opinion is that the Japanese are devoting more attention to Shantung at the present

junction, particularly in view of recent events in Tsingtao. It is estimated by observers that Japan will have to transport 100,000 troops from Japan with full war equipment at the very beginning of their contemplated campaign in South China and this number will have to be rapidly increased as the fighting progresses.

The recent Japanese occupation and subsequent withdrawal from Wangcum Island is generally regarded as a test of the attitude of the Powers with interests in the Pacific as the island belongs jointly to Portugal and China.

This brings to mind the boundary dispute between Macao and Canton a few years ago over this island.

Despite the fact that a Japanese invasion is not believed to be likely for the moment although it is expected that air raids will continue, Governor Wu Te-chen and General Yu Han-mou, Governor of Kwangtung and Commander-in-Chief of the Fourth Route Army respectively, are making feverish preparations to strengthen the defences of the province. Already medical services are being organized in preparation for eventualities.



## NOTICE

On and from January 1st, 1938, the following revised fares will be in operation between Kowloon and Canton, and vice versa.

	From Kowloon (Hong Kong Currency)	From Canton (Chinese National Currency)
1st. class	\$4.80	\$5.00
2nd. class	\$2.40	\$2.50
3rd. class	\$1.20	\$1.25

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## BRITAIN'S PROTEST NOW ANSWERED BY JAPAN

Note Not Considered To Be Entirely Satisfactory

FURTHER REPRESENTATION FORESHADOWED

London, December 30: The Japanese Note in reply to the British protest against attacks on British gunboats has been issued by the Foreign Office. It refers to the previous profound apology, the Japanese undertaking to deal with those responsible and pay compensation. It says that the incidents were due to the fact that the units concerned took for granted that in the then existing circumstances all foreign warships and merchant vessels had taken refuge from the scene of fighting and only enemy vessels were in the localities. It says also that visibility was poor, due to fog.

There was no room for doubt that they did not intentionally attack the vessels knowing them to be British, says the Note. This is proved by the Japanese giving assistance to the Ladybird's casualties when they discovered their nationality.

Although it had been established that the incidents were entirely due to a mistake, the Japanese Government had dealt properly, according to law, with the officers concerned on the ground that they failed to take full precautions.

As regards guarantees for the future, the higher Japanese military commanding officer concerned immediately gave strict orders that vessels on the Yangtze were not to be attacked unless they were used for military purposes by the Chinese.

The Naval authorities had issued strict orders to guard against a repetition of mistakes in areas where there are vessels of third Powers, even in circumstances where caution involves loss of opportunity in attacking Chinese forces.

Strict instructions issued take the greatest possible care that attacks are not made on lives and property of British and other nationals. Other precautions will be the communication of information to the authorities of the whereabouts of British residents and interests. — *Reuter.*

#### NOT ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY

London, Dec. 30.

The Japanese reply to the British protest against attacks on British ships in the Far East has not yet been published but the diplomatic correspondent of the "Times" states that publication will take place as soon as London and Tokyo have reached an agree-

ment concerning a suitable date. According to the "Daily Telegraph" the contents of the Japanese note have been in the meanwhile communicated to Washington. All papers agree that the Note is not considered by the British Government to be entirely satisfactory.

The "Daily Mail" asserts that on some points the Note leaves much to be desired in respect of clarity. Similarly the "Daily Express" affirms that the question of prevention of future incidents have only been vaguely referred to in the Note and that in consequence it may be possible that the British Government will address a further communication to Japan on the subject. — *Transocean News Service.*

#### ITALIAN LABOURERS FOR GERMANY

Rome, Dec. 30.

Negotiations for sending about 30,000 Italian agricultural labourers to Germany have been concluded states "Tribuna." The labourers who have been chosen by Fascist organisations are due to leave Italy at the beginning of March and will be employed mostly in north Germany and during this time will receive the same wages as German labourers of the same class besides enjoying the same social privileges as they receive from their Fascist organization at home. — *Transocean News Service.*

## SPANISH WAR

Big Offensive On Teruel

Saragossa, Dec. 30.

Nationalist forces of considerable strength, backed by massed artillery and aircraft formations, were hurled against Teruel yesterday in a big offensive in the seven mile front whose main aim is to relieve the garrison still holding out inside the town. According to Nationalist sources twenty divisions of infantry are engaged in this battle.

A bulletin issued from General Aranda's headquarters at the end of the first day's fighting says that the enemy's positions had been taken in a storm to a depth of two kilometres. Counter-attacks launched by Republicans have been repulsed under heavy losses to the enemy. By noon all military objectives that had been set for the first day of the offensive had been reached.

Reports issued from Barcelona claim the capture of a monastery which leaves the defenders of Teruel with the civil governor's residence as the last stronghold. — *Transocean News Service.*

#### ATTEMPTS REPULSED

Madrid, Dec. 30: A war bulletin issued last night says the enemy had been making two big attempts to break through the Republican lines at Teruel. The first attempt, in the hills of Celados, was promptly repulsed. Fighting in the hills of Zorro was much more severe but here too the Nationalists and been unable to reach their objectives. — *Transocean.*

#### BOMB PROOF CELLAR FOR CASTLE

Barcelona, Dec. 30: President Azana will, according to reports received here yesterday, shortly move to Castle Peralada near Figueras-Barcelona. The castle will undergo considerable alterations. A bomb proof cellar will be constructed and the walls will be covered with armoured plate. — *Transocean News Service.*

## GLOUCESTER ATTRACTIONS

Andrew and Sykes, fashionable ballroom dancers, and Don and Dolly, who specialise in acrobatic and Spanish dances, are drawing big crowds to the Gloucester. They commenced their season here some days ago, and are still hot favourites. During the Christmas revelries, patrons of the Gloucester encored them so insistently that they left the floor only with

## POPULAR FRONT OCCUPIES FIRST PLACE

Washington Informer Of Contents

Paris, Dec. 30.

Addressing the final session of the provincial congress of the French Communist Party, M. Thoreo, General Secretary of the Party, repeated once again his assertion about his Party being ready at any moment to take over the reins of Government of France. The Popular Front, he declared, occupied first place among the peoples of the earth excepting Soviet Russia. In reference to France's financial troubles, M. Thoreo maintained that these could not be attributed to the activities of the Popular Front but, on the contrary, to the fact that the Popular Front programme was not being fully carried. Finally, the French Communist leader made a plea for collaboration between communists and social democrats. — *Transocean News Service.*

#### ATTEMPTED ARMED ROBBERY

Toy Pistol Used

An attempted armed robbery took place at 10.45 a.m. yesterday when two men armed with a toy pistol and a dagger entered No. 11 Village Road, first floor, threatening the amah who opened the door and asking her to keep quiet. She called for help, and the robbers ran away. No property was stolen and the toy pistol and dagger were picked up by the police.

#### PONY AUCTION

Seven China ponies were put up for auction by Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa at the Hong Kong Jockey Club's paddock yesterday afternoon, but two were withdrawn at the last minute. The results of the other sales were as follows:— 1938 sub-Griffin Bay (\$1,300) knocked down to Mr. Kwok Hin-wang; 1938 Sub-Griffin, Chestnut (\$800) Mr. Wong Kwam-fan; Griffin, grey (\$15) Lt. Dobson; China pony, grey (\$110) Mr. W. H. S. Davis; Election Time (\$210) Mr. W. H. S. Davis.

difficulty, and to-night, when the Gloucester opens up to 3 a.m. by special extension, the new numbers which they are putting on are certain to be well received.



# ANOTHER FINE KNOCK BY PEARCE

## HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

(Continued from Page 1)

In spite of these adverse circumstances, the members of the S.R. team increased their aggregate from 999 last year to 1022, which should bring the Colony well up the Prize List, although not so high, perhaps, as some expected. Those members of the Association, and many others in the Colony will be awaiting the final results, to be issued by the N.R.A. some time next month, with the keenest interest, and it is hoped that the measure of success achieved by those who fired yesterday, will at least be known, before the second annual dinner, which is likely to take place early in February.

### N.R.A. OVERSEAS POSTAL MATCH

(Held in Hong Kong on December 30, 1937)

S.R. (a)  
Captain of Team:—2/Lt. A. C. Pullman, 1/Middlesex Regt.

	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Grand Total
Sgt. Jordan	34	39	38	109
Cpl. Langford	38	42	32	112
Sgt. Cooper	38	40	37	115
P.O. Richards	37	40	32	109
Cpl. Purn Singh	43	43	38	124
Sgt. Bickell	38	34	37	109
L/Cpl. Baker	41	35	40	116
Pte. Moss	39	45	42	126
Range Total	308	318	294	920

S.R. (b)

Captain of Team:—Mr. G. H. Lakeman, D.R.C.

	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Grand Total
Mr. Watson	42	46	42	130
Lieut. Hawkins	45	44	37	126
C.P.O. Pellow	43	44	44	131
Sgt. Mannell	48	47	39	134
Capt. Ratcliffe	44	43	41	128
Mr. Austin	38	45	39	122
Cpl. Morris	44	43	37	124
Cpl. Miller	41	44	42	127
Range Total	345	356	321	1022

### WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

The scores made on Wednesday afternoon in the return match between the Fourth Submarine Flotilla R.C. and the Middlesex Regiment R.C., and the leading scores of the usual Spoon and Practice Shoot are as follows:—

#### 4TH SUBMARINE FLOTILLA R.C.

	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Grand Total
E.R.A. Haynes	29	33	31	93
Lieut. Atkinson	27	23	27	82
P.O. Hinds	26	29	28	83
P.O. Clark	33	29	27	89
E.R.A. Seymour	28	30	31	89
E.A. Johns	25	31	27	83
Lieut. Jenks	32	32	29	93
L/Sea. Knight	28	32	30	90
Range Total	228	244	230	702

#### 1ST BN. MIDDLESEX REGIMENT R.C.

	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Grand Total
Pte. Middleton	28	25	30	83
Pte. Moss	27	29	26	82
L/Cpl. Baker	22	20	28	70
L/Cpl. Langford	27	33	24	84
Lieut. Pullman	18	30	26	74
L/Sgt. Jordan	27	28	30	85
Pte. Cox	25	24	26	76
Pte. Rawling	25	25	26	76
Range Total	198	214	216	628

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S.R. (b)

Ass'n. Score at Score at Aggregate  
H'cap. 300 Yds. 500 Yds. 600 Yds. Score

	Nett	Nett	Nett	Nett
1—C.P.O. C. Pellow	30	32	32	94
2—E.R.A. W. E. Haynes	29	33	31	93
3—Cpl. L. O. Miller	32	32	28	92
4—Lieut. R. S. Hawkins	27	32	33	92
5—L/Cpl. A. W. Downing	29	33	30	92
6—Cpl. E. T. Morris	29	31	31	91
7—Sgt. C. R. Mannell	26	31	33	90
8—P.O. C. Clark	33	29	27	89
9—Mae. P. G. Heather	28	31	30	89
10—E.R.A. L. F. Seymour	28	30	31	89
11—Capt. R. Robertson	31	29	28	88
12—L/Cpl. A. R. Tonnar	28	31	27	86
13—P.O. A. C. Hinds	4	26	29	83
14—E.A. T. G. Johns	4	25	31	83
15—P.O. D. J. Silcock	2	29	30	83
16—Stoker. G. Robinson	8	27	29	84

All the above competitors used the "1914" rifle.

S.R. (a)

	Nett	Nett	Nett	Nett
1—L/Cpl. E. J. Jordan	27	28	30	85
2—Pte. W. Cranston	8	28	29	84
3—L/Cpl. R. Langford	5	27	33	84
4—Pte. E. J. Moss	7	27	29	82
5—C.B.M. A. Bradley	5	27	30	81
6—Pte. A. Middleton	9	26	25	80
7—L/Cpl. J. Baird	9	24	28	80
8—Hav. Padam Singh	7	25	30	79
9—L/Cpl. A. G. MacDonald	13	27	30	78

1—Denotes the winner of the "nett" spoon.

2—Denotes the winner of the "handicap" spoon.

NOTE:—The handicap of each winner has been reduced by one point as shown. This procedure applies to all S.R. (a) and S.R. (b) Spoon Shoots.

### LADIES' GOLF

The results of the competition for the L.G.U. Medal, played on December 28, was as follows:—

—Silver, Old Course

Mrs. Whyte-Smith 98-10-80

Mrs. Shawan 94-12-82

—Bronze, New Course

Mrs. King 92-19-73

Mrs. W. J. E. MacKenzie 96-20-76

### ANNUAL CHARITY FOOTBALL

The annual charity football match, Royal Navy versus Royal Marines, will take place on the Navy ground, Causeway Bay, on Wednesday, January 5, 1938, at 4 p.m.

Admission is 50 cents, servicemen 10, uniform 30 cents. All proceeds will go to the Children's Ministering League.

## HITS ARMY BOWLING FOR 91 RUNS

### Holiday Cricket Matches Reviewed

BY "NEW L.B.W."

Fride of place for the week's best piece of batting again goes to T. A. Pearce, whose 91 for the Cricket Club in the Triangular Tournament match against the Army was easily the outstanding feature of the cricket played over the Christmas holidays.

Pearce's magnificent innings put the Club in a very favourable position as early as lunch time and had Hayward declared a wee bit earlier it is probable they would have made a win of it.

Kilbee opened the innings with J. E. Richardson. (Richardson, D. McLellan and F. Baker were making one of their "friendly" appearances for the Club). Scoring was not any too fast, though neither man was in any real trouble, and at 17 Kilbee put up one to McLellan off Cheney's bowling.

Alec Pearce came in and began right away to play the most beautiful cricket. I have for some time regarded Pearce as the best and soundest bat here and he has proved that he can also be the most brilliant and carefree.

Richardson also began to bat breezily and the figures on the board shifted quickly indeed. Fours were frequent although the Army skipper handled his field very well. As good as their boundary shots was the way both men often placed the ball for a run. Pearce revealed all the shots in the book—with perhaps an additional one or two. Particularly was his timing superb and he played the ball off his legs very neatly. At 102 Richardson left, the partnership having realised 85 runs. His 41 was a good knock indeed, though he was naturally over-shadowed. Pearce, with Marshall (F.) as his partner, continued on his merry way. When he had 79 he had distributed 14 fours to all parts of the field and run some very sharp singles. He then probably decided to really have a go for the next two balls off Cheney were lifted into the Supreme Court. In making a pre-determined shot of a similar nature to a ball that really should have been pulled round to leg, however, he missed and was hit on the pad and an appeal for leg before was upheld, and thus ended a beautiful innings.

Marshall, Owen-Hughes, Allen (R.D.) and John Pearce all got into the twenties and McLellan included a 6 in his nine runs, and at about 2.50 Hayward declared at 258 for seven. Barron bowled much more consistently than he usually does, and Cheney got through a large amount of work creditably, taking five of the seven wickets.

Major Murray and Cpl. Jones opened for the Army and the latter was much less stolid than is his wont. He made a few nice hooks and drives and the first wicket put up 33 in fair time before he rather carelessly batted at a short one from Owen-Hughes and put it straight to Marshall at cover. Jones had 19 and previous to this had given a chance.

McLellan again failed to come off. He shaped quite well but was dismissed for only 7. Then Murray and Mackintosh-Walker came together in an attractive partnership of 47. Murray got 43 before putting his foot in the way of one from Alec Pearce and Mackintosh-Walker went on to 56 before one of the ground boys substituting. He held him off Owen-Hughes. After that Rawstone and Teversham stuck for some time and the Army were never really threatened. Owen-Hughes mixed a few very bad balls with some good stuff and took four wickets, giving away only 59 runs in 16 overs.

It was a good game between two strong batting and weak bowling sides and though the Club might have done it had Hayward taken more of a chance in his declaration, he probably did the right thing against a side that contained batsmen of the Murray, McLellan, Mackintosh-Walker and Beadnell calibre, who are as likely to come off with a quick 50 or so as not.

The Royal Navy's win over Kowloon (Seniors) was robbed of some of its glib by the accident to Sub-Lt. Kyrie. Kyrie was going nicely towards the end of the innings and had 20 to his credit when he deflected a ball almost straight into his face. It was a nasty cut and several stitches had to be put in at the Kowloon Hospital.

The Navy batted first and after a couple of early reverses Skelton,

a refreshing left-hander, and Cotman, got together for a time and kept the field moving about. Robbie Lee bowled very steadily, sending down 14 overs for just under two runs apiece and taking three wickets. Kowloon started well enough with A. E. Perry and Anderson. Perry (54), Anderson, Ernie Fincher and Arthur Lay got 110 between them—and the side was out for 127.

Feature of the junior match between the same two clubs was the fine knock by F. J. Lay, who, if I am correctly informed, is either a schoolboy, or has just left school. He opened the innings for Kowloon with Mulcahy and made a very nice 69. O'Neill Dunne got 30. As with the seniors, so with the juniors. The first four men totalled 148 between them, and extras were 17, and the whole side were out for 197. That was, however, over 100 more than the Navy could make which, after all, is the main thing.

The local staff of the Hong Kong Electric Company suffered a surprising defeat at the hands of the European staff in their annual match at Sockunpoo. The Locals used to have things their own way and it is possible they were over-confident. For instance, neither George Souza nor A. R. Minu opened the bowling, and Minu only bowled one over. Thus the Europeans totalled 145, extras top-scoring with 28 and C. E. Gahagan and W. E. Peers 25 and 22 respectively. The local men made a disastrous start and at one time had five wickets down for a song. Then A. R. Minu, going in what is more or less his regular position, just tapped the bowling to all parts of the field, but he could find no one to stick. He made 63. In the end they just managed to top the 100. W. Stoker got the first three wickets very cheaply, but afterwards Minu was rather rough on him. Just before the end he gave place to Gahagan, who bowled ten balls for one run and three wickets!

### SQUASH DISPUTE

#### Professionals Refuse To Compromise

The dispute between the Squash Rackets Association and the Professionals' Association has been brought to a head by the refusal of the professionals to withdraw their ball from the market.

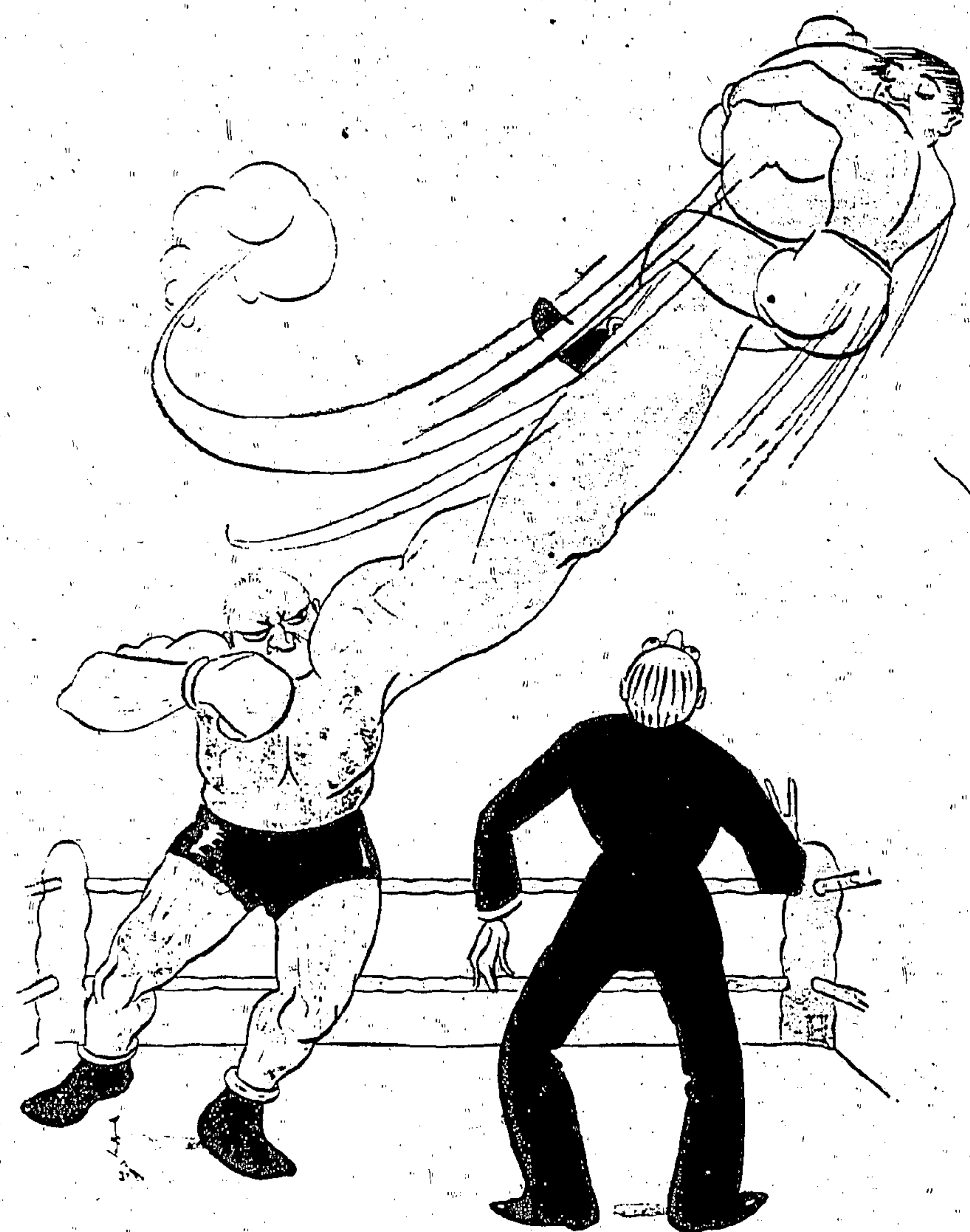
The professionals, introduced a ball of their own following the proposal of the S.R.A. for a 3d tax on each officially approved ball sold.

At an extraordinary general meeting of the Professionals' Association the following resolutions were passed:—  
The S.R.P.A. is still of the opinion that it has every right to legislate for and run its own competitions and internal affairs, provided that it conforms to the general legislation of the S.R.A. as regards the rules of the game, and that the implements it uses conform to the standard specification as laid down by the S.R.A.

As regards its adoption and naming of the S.R.P.A. ball, the association is determined, until the S.R.A. proves conclusively, through the medium of the squash-playing public, that the S.R.P.A. is doing anything untoward, to continue with its course of action.

Mr. Charles Arnold, chairman of the Professionals' Association, said "We have the support of 90 per cent of the professionals in our action. We think we are entitled to have our own ball for our own championship competitions."

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### Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

Meeting—Kowloon Chess Club, at St. Andrew's Hall, 5.30 p.m.

TO-MORROW

Athletics.—S.C.A.A. annual sports (Caroline Hill), 10 a.m.

Cricket.—Hong Kong University, Past v. Present, 11 a.m.; Hong Kong C.C. v. Royal Navy, Triangular Tournament; Junior matches, Army v. Hong Kong C.C.; Indian R.C. v. Navy.

Football.—First division, South China "A" v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill), 4.30 p.m. Second division, South China v. Eastern (Caroline Hill), 2.45 p.m. Opening of Kowloon Football Club's new Club-house, 12 noon.

Golf.—New Year Boogie Pool Hockey.—C.B.A. v. Y.M.C.A. (King's Park), 3 p.m.

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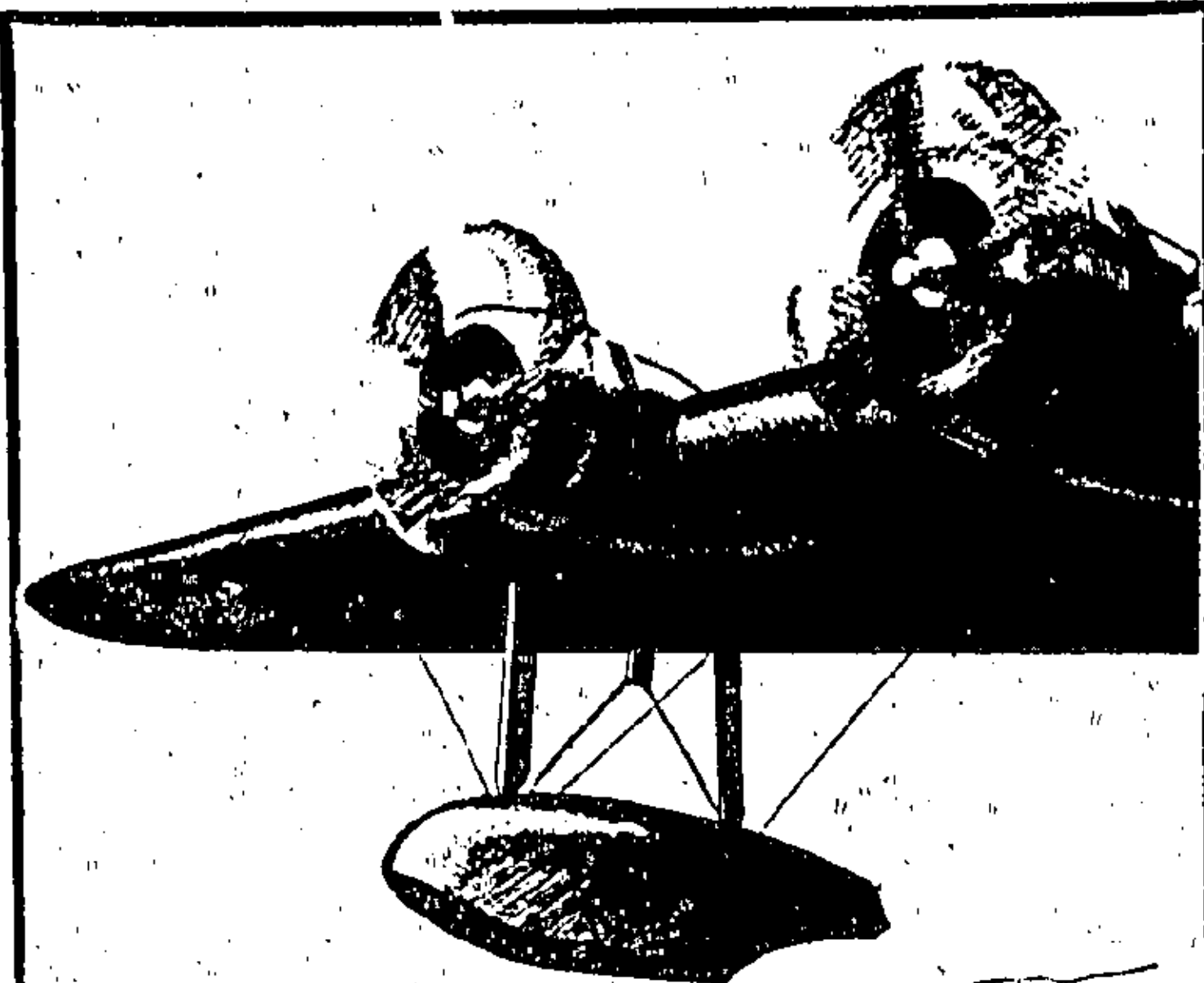
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## HOME FOOTBALL FORECAST

The following are the English and Scottish League fixtures to be played to-morrow.

Teams in bold types are tipped to win:—

FIRST DIVISION			Last Year's Score
ARSENAL	v. Everton	.....	3-2
BIRMINGHAM	v. Stoke	.....	2-4
Blackpool	v. HUDDERSFIELD	.....	.....
BRENTFORD	v. Bolton	.....	2-2
DERBY	v. Leicester	.....	.....
Grimsby	v. PRESTON	.....	6-4
LEEDS U.	v. Charlton	.....	2-0
LIVERPOOL	v. Chelsea	.....	1-1
MANCHESTER C.	v. Wolves	.....	4-1
MIDDLESBROUGH	v. Sunderland	.....	5-5
W. BROMICH	v. Portsmouth	.....	3-1

SECOND DIVISION			Last Year's Score
BARNLEY	v. Bradford	.....	2-1
Blackburn	v. SWANSEA	.....	2-1
BURY	v. Burnley	.....	3-1
COVENTRY	v. Tottenham	.....	1-0
FULHAM	v. Plymouth	.....	2-2
LUTON	v. Stockport	.....	.....
NEWCASTLE	v. Manchester U.	.....	.....
NOTTS FOREST	v. Sheffield U.	.....	1-1
Sheffield Wed.	v. CHESTERFIELD	.....	.....
SOUTHAMPTON	v. Norwich	.....	3-1
WEST HAM	v. Aston Villa	.....	2-1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)			Last Year's Score
Aldershot	v. CRYSTAL PALACE	.....	2-2
BOURNEMOUTH	v. Southend	.....	1-0
BRIGHTON	v. Queen's Park R.	.....	4-0
BRISTOL ROVERS	v. Watford	.....	0-1
Cardiff	v. CLAPTON ORIENT	.....	2-1
EXETER	v. Newport	.....	3-1
Gillingham	v. BRISTOL CITY	.....	5-3
Millwall	v. READING	.....	0-2
NORTHAMPTON	v. Mansfield	.....	.....
SWINDON	v. Notts County	.....	2-2
WALSALL	v. Torquay	.....	1-0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)			Last Year's Score
BARROW	v. New Brighton	.....	2-1
Bradford City	v. DONCASTER R.	.....	.....
CARLISLE	v. Accrington	.....	2-0
CREWE ALEX.	v. Gateshead	.....	3-1
HALIFAX	v. Chester	.....	1-0
HARTLEPOOL	v. Lincoln	.....	3-1
PORT VALE	v. Oldham	.....	1-0
Southport	v. DARLINGTON	.....	0-0
TRAMMERE ROV.	v. Rotherham	.....	1-2
WREXHAM	v. Hull City	.....	2-1
YORK CITY	v. Rochdale	.....	4-1

SCOTTISH DIVISION 1.			Last Year's Score
AYR UNITED	v. Queen of South	.....	.....
CELTIC	v. Rangers	.....	1-1
Dundee	v. ABERDEEN	.....	2-2
FALKIRK	v. Morton	.....	.....
Hibernian	v. HEARTS	.....	3-3
MOTHERWELL	v. Hamilton	.....	5-2
PARTICK	v. Clyde	.....	6-0
QUEEN'S PARK	v. Thrd Lanark	.....	6-1
ST. JOHNSTONE	v. Arbroath	.....	3-2
ST. MIRREN	v. Kilmarnock	.....	1-2

### GREAT INDIVIDUAL DISPLAY

Karakas' Heroic Ice Hockey Fails To Stem Attack

Boston, Dec. 21.  
Despite heroic attempts by Mike Karakas to stem the tide of defeat, the Chicago Black Hawks had to admit defeat to-night before the flying skates and flashing sticks of the Boston Bruins by two goals to one in the American Division of the National Ice Hockey League. Mike Karakas, one of the six American-born players of the Hawks, again played the role of hero in blocking hockey pucks but he was given a minimum of support.

The lean, hollow-eyed Croatian, who divides his waking moments between playing goalie for the Black Hawks and operating a billiard emporium in Eveleth, Minnesota, gave a rare exhibition of checking shots from all angles.

He was "hot" to-night, and he wrecked the majority of the Bear power plays but he could not stave off defeat single-handedly.

Although beaten, the Hawks contributed more than their share to a fast-skating, cleanly contested battle. It was a good stickhandling contest from first to last, but the Hawks failed to support the mighty efforts of Karakas.

### WOMAN BREAKS BAGUJO RECORD

Women golfers in Baguio turned in some stellar performances at Baguio during Army-Navy women's competitions. Mrs. T. E. Chambers, wife of T. E. Chambers of the U.S.S. Canopus, smashed the course record for women on two different occasions. On December 14, she went around in 70 and on the following day she turned in a great 68.

The previous course record was held by Mrs. Vargas, whose husband is on the U.S.S. Augusta, flagship of the Asiatic Fleet, and Mrs. Boyer of Corregidor.

### AN ITALIAN THREAT TO BARNEY ROSS

Champion Of Italy Scores K.O. In U.S. Debut

Newark, New Jersey, Dec. 21.

A new contender for Barney Ross' welterweight championship, Kid Frattin, champion of Italy, made an impressive American debut to-night by knocking out Lorenzo Louisi in the third of an eight-round bout.

The muscular Italian thrilled fight scribes with his flashy display. Weighing one pound over the welter limit, 148, the visitor tore into the Chicago boxer, who tipped the scales at 144, from the opening gong.

Meeting the furious assault with a two-fisted counter-attack, the Chicago boy checked his foe but failed to stand up to the continuous barrages.

### RELENTLESS ATTACK

Kid Frattin let loose again before the end of the first round and shook his rival, much to the delight of the large gathering of Italian-Americans. He followed up in the second frame and hurt the Chicago lad with stinging rights and a ripping left jab that found its mark time and again. The Chicagoan came out weakly for the third and, as the Italian invader opened up again with a double-handed onslaught, he slipped to the canvas and was counted out.

The Italian visitor, who has come here following many notable wins in Europe, declared that he was determined to tangle with Barney Ross for the world title.

### Boxing

#### TOMMY FARR

To Fight Braddock, Pastor And Louis

"If there is a promoter willing to put up a \$15,000 purse for a fight between Jack Doyle and myself, I would jump right over the Albert Hall to get it," says British heavy-weight champion, Tommy Farr.

Farr added in an emphatic tone, "It would give me the greatest of pleasure to fight Doyle."

Farr made these remarks when told about the story of a syndicate of sportsmen who are said to be prepared to offer \$15,000 for a British title match with Doyle.

Tommy Farr, however, knew nothing of it and no one had approached him on the subject.

#### POPULARITY CAMPAIGN

In any event, his plans for the immediate future are settled. He is to meet Braddock in New York on Jan. 21, and Bob Pastor, in the Orange Park Bowl, Miami, on Feb. 28.

These contests have been arranged with the object of giving Farr a chance to further his popularity in America, so that by the time he next fights for the heavyweight championship of the world he will be a greater drawing card than when he opposed Joe Louis last August.

Farr is under contract which contains a forfeit clause of 15,000 dollars to meet the winner of the Louis-Max Schmeling fight on Sept. 13 next year.

#### LOUIS vs. SCHMELING

Incidentally the clash between the world champion and the German is not certain to be staged in June, as at present arranged.

People in close touch with Mike Jacobs say that unexpected difficulties have arisen, which may prevent a meeting of the men.

Whatever happens, it is not likely to trouble Farr, who is already in strict training at Hammersmith Stadium.

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## INTEREST FOCUSED ON EXTRALITY

London, Dec. 29. Interest in Far Eastern developments is for the moment focussed on the nature of extraterritorial rights possessed by foreigners in Shanghai. Much prominence is given to the statement made in this connection by Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State.

The "Daily Telegraph" learns that the Foreign Office is engaged at the moment in studying the matter from the juridical point of view. Furthermore, there is a general inclination to stress the fact that the text of the Note of apology concerning the attack on H.M.S. Ladybird had not yet been published in Tokyo despite the fact that it has now been officially communicated to London.

**ASIA FOR ASIATICS**  
 With reference to a rumour to the effect that Japan had requested the British Government to refrain from publishing certain points of the Note dealing with diplomatic measures, the "Daily Telegraph" says that it is hardly likely the British Government will comply with a request of this kind.

The "Daily Herald" feels that it is implied to assert that the Japanese are seeking not to conquer China but to gain her support for action in the policy of "Asia for the Asiatics." The only other paper to carry a leading article on the Japanese Note is the "Daily Mail," which says that England will probably accept the expressions of regret in the same spirit as was evinced by the United States when settling the U.S.S. Panay incident.

Transocean News Service.

## BIG BUSINESS ATTACKED

Monopolies Versus The New Deal

Philadelphia, Dec. 29. Attacking monopolistic practices, Assistant Attorney-General Jackson, in a speech to-day, accused "Big Business" of going on strike against the Government in an effort to "liquidate the New Deal" and of seizing the current recession as a cudgel to whack concession out of the Government.

Mr. Jackson asserted that the Government's recovery programme had restored profits to business and the only criticism of the New Deal was an economic programme was that it did not do enough to guard recovery from the raids of the monopolists.

New York, Dec. 29. The attack on American monopolies begun by Assistant Attorney-General Jackson was continued to-day, when Mr. Jackson was joined by Mr. D. C. Roper, Secretary of Commerce, and Mr. Homer S. Cummings, Attorney-General.

Mr. Roper declared there were good and bad monopolies; and since they were concerned with the good of business itself, as well as the consumers and the Government, and they must be curbed.

Mr. Cummings declared that the existing Anti-Trust Law was inadequate and that additional appropriations were needed to enable the Department of Justice to fight monopolistic practices.

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## STRIKERS RESUME WORK

Paris, Dec. 29. The strikers will resume work this morning. A delegation of the administrative committee of the General Labour Confederation saw M. Max Dormoy, Minister of the Interior, M. Faure, Minister without portfolio and M. Georges Monnet, Minister for Agriculture early this morning and received sufficient guarantees to enable the joint committee of the Public Service Unions to propose to the delegates of the unions in the Paris region, to resume work immediately.

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**FISHERIES PACT SIGNED**  
 Moscow, Dec. 30. The Japanese Ambassador and the Assistant Peoples' Commissar for Foreign Affairs have signed the Protocol establishing a temporary fisheries regime for 1938.

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## SHIPOWNERS LOSE £456,000 CLAIM

CASE THAT BEGAN 20 YEARS AGO

Mr. Justice Luxmoore, in the Chancery Division dismissed with costs the action brought by six Finnish shipping companies, who claimed sums totalling £456,165, held by the defendants, Baring Brothers and Co. Ltd., as bankers.

The shipowners had sought a declaration against Baring Brothers that out of the funds standing with them to the credit of the Russian Government £456,165 had been assigned to them. During the war 13 of their vessels were requisitioned by the Russian Government and handed to the British Government for service between British and French ports. The claim was for hire and compensation for loss.

**NO PAYMENT FROM RUSSIA**  
 Baring Brothers denied that the Russian Government, became indebted for the amount mentioned. They pleaded that they were bankers to the Tsarist Government, subject to the exception that in the case of sums to be debited to the account known as the complete special, the approval of the British Treasury had to be obtained.

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Luxmoore said that some of the Finnish ships were sunk during the war. The British Government appeared to have paid the Russian Government for the use of the vessels.

None of the Finnish shipowners had received any payment from the Russian Government, and since 1917 the plaintiffs had taken steps directed to obtain payment of the moneys due to them.

Mr. Boris Ivanoff, a member of the Russian Government Committee in London, had said in evidence that Glauzgram, the Russian administration for supplies from abroad, approved the amounts to be paid to the Finnish shipowners down to Aug. 1, 1917.

There were no available witnesses, to speak about what was done by Glauzgram after that date.

His lordship said the owners relied on orders of Glauzgram made on Oct. 3 and 13, 1917, as constituting legal assignments.

The transactions took place in Russia between Russian subjects, and the shipowners must, in the first place, establish that the orders in question operated as a legal assignment according to Russian law.

Having read and re-read certain documents he was unable to see any possible ground by which they could be construed as constituting an agreement between the Russian Government, represented by Glauzgram, and the Finnish shipowners.

He could not infer that Glauzgram intended to assign any part of the complete special to any of the plaintiffs.

Neither document was more than a direction, and there was no evidence that any of the steps required to be taken to carry out the directions were ever taken.

It was admitted that no telegram directing payment was ever sent by the Russian Chancery of Credit to Baring.

## MORE WARSHIPS FOR AMERICA

Roosevelt Stresses Facts Of World Situation

Washington, Dec. 28. In the course of a press conference to-day, President Franklin Roosevelt said, he had written to Mr. Edward T. Taylor, Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, that in consequence of the general international picture he might ask for more warships than outlined in the Navy Department's budget last autumn.

Any such new construction could not be termed preparation for a campaign.

The new programme would be started immediately, he said.

The letter states: "Since the budget was prepared in the autumn, world events have caused me growing concern. I do not refer to any specific nation or specific threat against the United States. The fact is in the world as a whole the nations are not only continuing, but are enlarging their armaments programmes. I have used every conceivable effort to stop this trend and to work towards a decrease in armaments. Nevertheless, facts are facts, and the United States must recognise them."

Reuter.

## IN BUSINESS AS BURGLAR

"It is quite clear to me that you are in business as what is popularly known as a burglar, and it appears to me you have no other business. I am dealing with you on 90 cases, and there is no term of imprisonment which I could pass which, in the circumstances, would be too great. I sentence you to six years' penal servitude."

These remarks were addressed by Mr. Justice Hilbery at Leeds Assizes to Gordon Horsfall, 52, an engineer, lately living in Huddersfield, who pleaded guilty to two charges of house-breaking at Elland in October, 1936, and at Bailiff Bridge in October this year and asked for 88 other cases to be taken into consideration.

## ITALIAN AIRMAN'S NEW RECORD

Stoppini's Successful Flight

Pernambuco, Dec. 29. Signor Stoppini, the Italian aviator attempting a record "straight line" flight from Italy to Latin-America, passed over Pernambuco, heading for Buenos Aires.

Later Banla reported that Stoppini had landed at 3.04 p.m. at Caravelas in Brazil after covering about 7,100 kilometres in 27 hours.

## FOUR-WAY ROADS IN 10 YEARS

Expert's Plan For 100 M.P.H. Traffic

Four-way roads, with double lanes for 100 mile-an-hour traffic, were foreshadowed by Mr. H. P. Tame, deputy-engineer to Working Urban Council, as a necessity, to meet traffic conditions in 10 years' time.

He was reading a paper recently at the Public Works, Roads and Transport Congress at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, N.

Roads without hoardings and petrol pumps, but "stations" controlling junctions with invisible rays.

Pedestrian subways and bridges equipped with escalators.

Thousands of unemployed, he said, should be employed making the roads, as in Germany.

"It is necessary to be well-lit," he added, "or in 10 years the public will be laughing."

## MINISTER AS DICTATOR

Mr. Tame's 100 mile-an-hour roads would "fly over or under the main track where they join it. Cycle tracks would accompany new dual roads. Two additional tracks should be added."

"Unless the Ministry of Transport is given the powers of a dictator," he said, "I am convinced that the trunk roads can never penetrate into London further than its circular roads."

"A system of roads underground appears from the engineering standpoint to be the only practicable solution for linking up the country quickly with the heart of London."

Mr. Tame made this suggestion for solving the traffic congestion of Oxford-street, "harassed," as he described it, by 21 signalled intersections, using 180 sets of signals and carrying 567 lights.

That between Marble Arch and Oxford-circus traffic communications between the roads north and south should pass either over or under the street at a central point, and traffic wishing to enter Oxford-street should do so either at Marble Arch or Oxford-circus.

Mr. C. F. Armstrong, assistant engineer to the Ministry of Transport Experimental Section, also urged the provision of double roads, cycle tracks, separate footpaths and pedestrian subways.

More than 47 per cent. of all fatal accidents were due to pedestrians, said Mr. Armstrong, clearly showing the need for a comprehensive programme of footpath construction.

24 minutes, thus beating the long-distance seaplane record, or 5,771 kilometres, established by a French seaplane piloted by Lieut. Devals.

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BRINGING CARGO FROM MARSEILLES, via SAIGON etc. ARRIVED HONG KONG ON SUNDAY, THE 26TH DEC., 1937.

CONSIGNEES are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being loaded and stored in the Godowns of the Hong Kong, Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to us on or before the Tuesday, 4th January, 1937, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Friday, the 31st Dec., 1937.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES CO. Hong Kong, 26th Dec., 1937.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON & STRAITS.

The S.S. "BENLEI"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th Dec., 1937, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 13th Jan., or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 29th Dec., 1937, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by W. R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA), LTD. Agents.

Hong Kong, 23rd Dec., 1937. [6894]

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## CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.

AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co's Vessel "AGAPENOR" FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE.

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 29th Dec.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th Jan., will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th Jan., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Agents. [6867]

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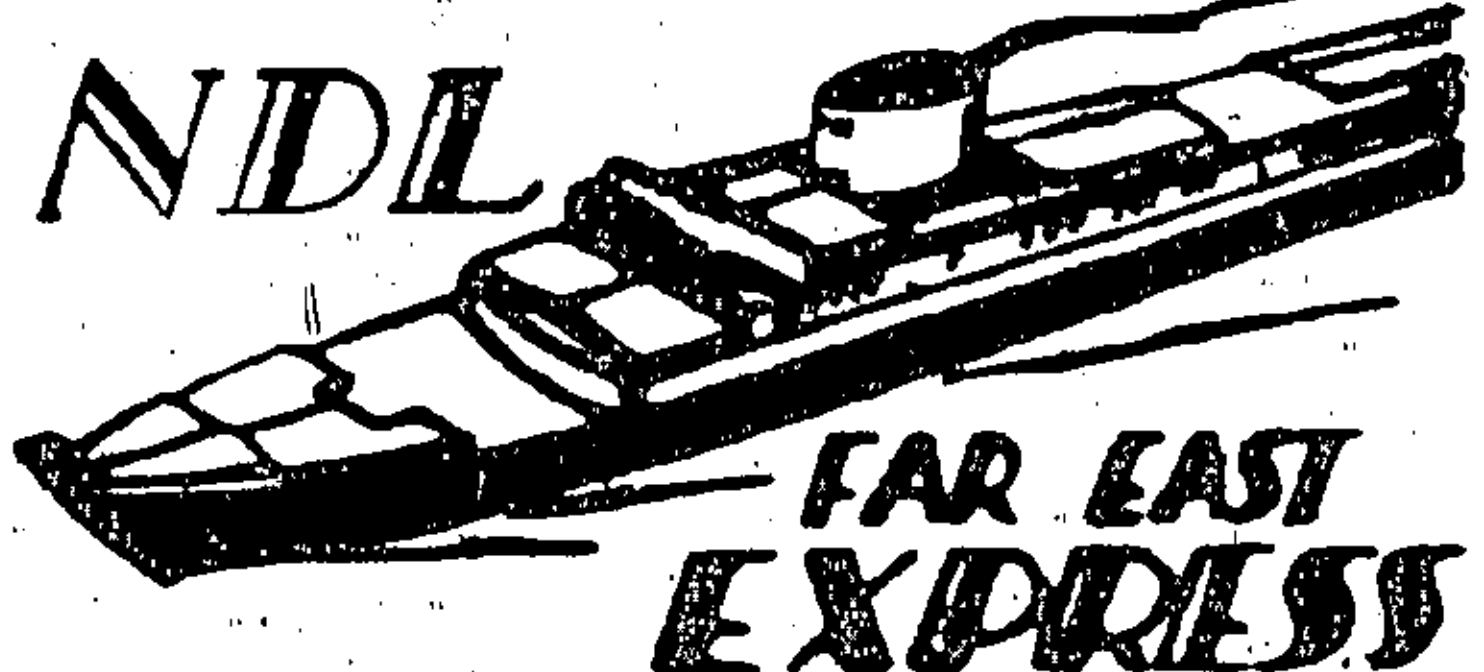
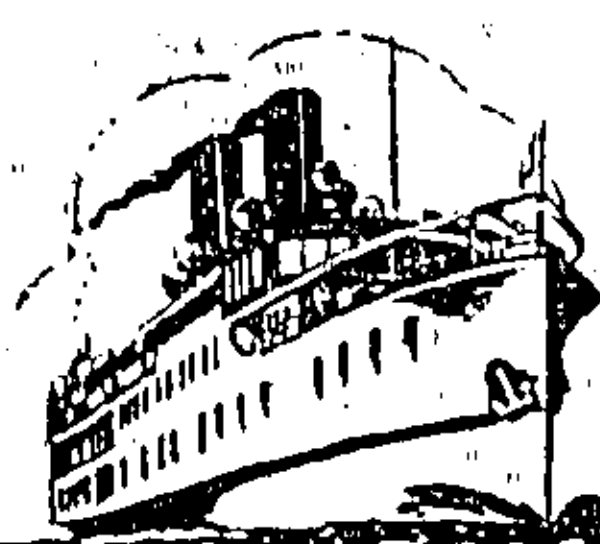
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	Fulda	Singapore, Batavia, Colombo	Feb. 1
Manila	Potdam	Manila	Jan. 18
Japan	Potdam	Yokohama, Kobe	Jan. 7
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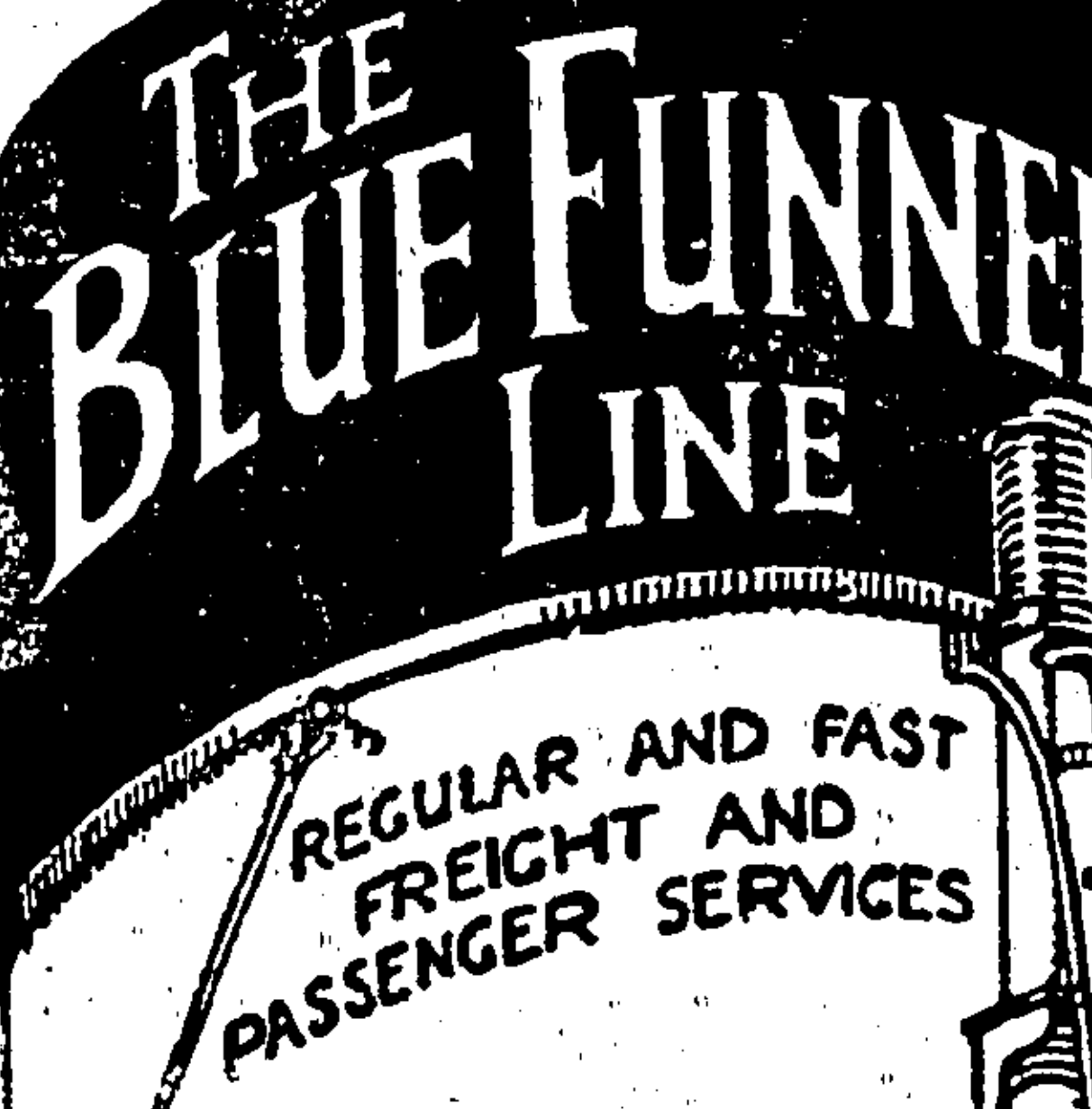
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## SEVERN LEIGH APPEAL FAILS

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which deals with war between other nations or risks consequent on war.

### ATTACKS ON STEAMERS

The position is that hostilities have broken out between China and Japan in North China without a formal declaration of war, that Japanese war vessels are on the South China coast, that there have been attacks by the Japanese on railways and Chinese vessels in South China, that the Canton River has been closed to traffic and in places mined, and that there is a force of Chinese aeroplanes at Canton. An article in the "China Mail" of September 3 suggested that the Canton air force was about to attack Japanese ships.

Subsequent to the men's demands there were conversations between the ship's officers and the crew and there was correspondence by cable with the Board of Trade. The men were informed that no war bonus was payable but persisted in their demands. In the event the ship was delayed and a prosecution under section 225 (1) (e) of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1894 was brought in consequence.

One is struck by the moderation which characterises the whole of these proceedings—the reasonable demands of the men and the sympathetic attitude of the master and owners. There has never been any suggestion that the men in refusing to sail were actuated by any other than their declared motive—to obtain payment for a risk not contemplated by the terms of their original engagement. On the contrary, it may reasonably be deduced from the evidence given that the men were in favour of their case being decided by the National Maritime Board and would have accepted lower terms than those demanded if such terms had been offered.

### NEVER DISOBEYED ORDERS

In the magisterial proceedings it was shown that the men never disobeyed any lawful order and even worked overtime after their demands had been presented. The prosecution was dismissed by the Marine Magistrate on the ground that no direct order to sail was ever given.

On appeal it was argued by Mr. Sheldon, K.C. for the appellant that as China and Japan were not at war and there was no real danger to the ship from Chinese sources the men were bound to complete their contract of service and were not entitled to demand higher pay. With regard to the status of the belligerent parties it was conceded that there is no real difference between the hostilities in these and in Mediterranean waters: the difference, if any, lies in the potential danger to shipping from the combatants.

It appeared from the evidence that the master "did not consider there was any danger" and the chief officer "did not see any difference in the conditions of voyaging since he signed on" out the chief officer felt that "anything might happen in the near future" and "could not forecast what would happen between here and Japan." The bombing of an American vessel, the President Hoover, in North China waters was referred to in evidence but there was no evidence of any such bombing or other warlike act beyond examination by Japanese warships taking place in Southern Chinese or Japanese waters.

### JUDGMENT QUOTED

The following passage from the judgment of Lord Atkinson in the *Palace Shipping Company, Limited v. Caine*, 1907 A.C., at page 393, is apt to the present case. "In my opinion the burden of establishing that the risk of capture was so remote that the character of the voyage remained practically unchanged from that which the crew supposed it to be when they signed the articles rested upon the owners of the ship or their agent, the master. I do not think that they or he discharged that burden simply by proving that at the port from which the voyage across the theatre of war was to commence it was the opinion of officials in a position to judge that, owing to the crippled condition of the naval forces of that belligerent by whom capture, if it was to take place, was to be apprehended, there was no real risk or danger of capture at all."

During the continuance of actual hostilities between Japan and China extending all along the China coast it is patent that the voyage of a ship under Japanese charter, flying a Japanese company's house flag, from one point on the China coast to another, bound for a Japanese port with a cargo of coal, must, while within



Pipers of the Seaforth Highlanders at the Massed Retreat on Murray Parade ground yesterday evening. (Photo, Cheng Studio).

## FUNERAL OF MR. A. H. SULLY

### MANY FLORAL TRIBUTES

The funeral of the late Mr. Arthur Henry Sully, Chief Foreman of the Royal Army Ordnance Department, who died at the Queen Mary Hospital on Wednesday at the age of 54 years, took place yesterday afternoon at the Roman Catholic Cemetery in the presence of a large attendance of friends.

Rev. Fr. Gallagher conducted the last rites at the graveside.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—

His sorrowing wife; mother, sisters and brothers (England); Miss. Con and Ken; Tony and Diana; Johnnie, Willie, Tommy, Robbie and Ernie; Het and Charlie.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren and family (England); Mrs. Johnson and family (England); Mr. and Mrs. Allison and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Peers; G. F. Finch; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Scrimgeour; S/Sgt and Mrs. Armistead; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wadmore; Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Smith; R.E. and family; Mr. Brotherton, R.N.Y.P.; Mr. and Mrs. E. Casey; Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Holloway; Mr. and Mrs. George Everett; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Campbell (on behalf of Lieut. Col. E. R. Macpherson);

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## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) advises that the following unclaimed telegrams are lying at their offices:—

Chan Chung Koon c/o 9889 from Shanghai; Sen Shu Yu c/o Hong Kong Hotel from Shanghai; Wutungtao c/o Hotel Cecil from Shanghai; Wong Kim Yih c/o 3887 from Shanghai; 5592 c/o Luk Kwok Hotel 602 from Shanghai; 1131 2494 c/o Empress Hotel 597 from Shanghai; 3057, 5940, 9466 from Shanghai.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the offices of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd.:—

Maxwell Stuart Gloucester Hotel from Paris; Williams from Up-perhuttins; Mr. R. Blake Passenger S.S. Atsata Maru from Sydney; Underhill 28 Mody Road Kowloon from Singapore; Cropley Kowloon from Saigon; Marrable Steamship Corfu from Woking; Morea Chat-ham Annexe 3, Cameron Road, Kowloon from London; Kirwen care Davistru from Glasgow; Mrs. F. Hildersley, Royal Army Ordnance Corps Section 6 from London.

the range of Chinese armed vessels or aeroplanes and the area in which China is in a position to lay mines, be attended by dangers which it is for the appellant to show are so remote as not to alter the character of the voyage. It is true that these dangers might diminish as the voyage proceeded, that is, as the vessel approached the coast of Japan, but the appellant has not in my opinion discharged the onus which rests upon him, and for this reason the appeal must fail.

## Mr. Gilbert Harriman

(Continued from Page 1.)

We understand that Mr. Harriman will probably be going into business in Sydney and we feel that the tact and courtesy which has always characterised all his transactions here will at once make him a favourite in his new sphere of activities.

We take this opportunity of wishing Mr. and Mrs. Harriman and family good luck and bon voyage and look forward to the time when we shall have the pleasure of welcoming them back here again.

For the past fortnight or so Mr. Harriman has been busy attending farewell dinners given in his honour and to-day he will be the guest of honour at a sherry party to be given by the Hong Kong Sharebroker's Association.

It was in January 1920 that Mr. Harriman first arrived in the Colony, after having been demobilised from the Royal Flying Corps, and since that date he has been prominently identified with the business, sporting and social life of the Colony. He is also a very keen Free Mason, being a member of the Victoria Lodge of Hong Kong, No. 1026, E.C.

Kok; Junior ranks. R.A.O.C.; R.A.O.C. Ladies' Branch; Chinese Staff, Ma Tau Kok Depot; Chinese Staff "F" Group, Ordnance Depot; Chinese Staff, R.A.O.C. Workshops; Chinese Staff "G" Group, Ordnance Depot; Royal Engineers Old Comrades' Association; Royal Naval Yard Police; Members of the Sergeants' Mess, 77th Company, R.A.M.C.; All ranks, Royal Army Service Corps; All ranks, 8th Heavy Brigade, R.A.; R.A. Sergeants' Mess, Stonecutters; Detachment, Royal Army Pay Corps; Embarkation Staff, Hong Kong; Garrison Sergeants' Mess; E.S.A.'s, Hong Kong Area; The Master Gunners, 8th Heavy Brigade, R.A.; W.O.'s, Staff Serjts. and Senior N.C.O.'s, Mess, Royal Engineers

## WEATHER REPORT

### HONG KONG ROYAL OBSERVATORY

Barometer (at sea level), 30.11 ins.

Temperature, 68 F. Humidity, 85 per cent. Wind Direction, East.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3. Temperature; maximum yesterday, 71 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 65 F.

Rainfall for 24 hours, ending 10th day, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1, 82.49 ins.

Against an average of 35.09 ins. Sunset to-night, 5.48 p.m.

Sunrise to-morrow, 7.02 a.m.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.03.

Temperature, 65. Humidity, 85. Wind Direction, ENE. Wind Force (Beaufort), 5. Maximum temperature, 67. Minimum temperature, 65.

Rainfall, nil.

## HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From December 25, to 31, 1937

Day	High Water	Low Water
Sat. 25	h.m. 02 37	h.m. 08 55
Sun. 26	04 04	07 24
Mon. 27	05 42	06 04
Tues. 28	07 17	04 58
Wed. 29	08 30	03 53
Thur. 30	09 22	03 07
Fri. 31	10 04	02 24

## FOREIGN MAILS

### BROADCAST RECEIVING LICENCES

Holders of licences are reminded that if it is desired to continue to retain possession of the apparatus after the date of expiration of the licence a renewal must be effected without delay.

As from 3rd January 1938 New Licences will be available at the Government Radio Office, G.P.O. Building, First Floor, on ordinary business days, and will be issued against the receipt of a remittance of \$12.00, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. except on Saturdays when licences will be issued between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Applications may be made:—(a) personally (b) by messenger and (c) by post.

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed cheque payable to Hong Kong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

In the case of renewal the old licence should be returned with the application.

### NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

On Saturday the 1st January 1938, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and also from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed. There will be one collection from the pillar boxes, one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

The Money Order office will be entirely closed.

### HONG KONG RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE

XLT Telegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Radio Office for transmission via radio during the period from 14th December, 1937 to 6th January 1938, both dates inclusive.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on ONE FOURTH of the ordinary rate and to other places on ONE THIRD of the ordinary rate.

(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words. Further particulars may be obtained on application at the Radio Office

## INWARD MAILS

FROM	PER	THU
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SWATOW	Ninghai	31st Dec.
SHANGHAI AND SWATOW	Kowloon	31st Dec.
U.S.A., HONOLULU AND JAPAN (San Francisco, 4th December 1937)	Des. Van Buren	31st Jan.
STRAITS	Houtman	1st Jan.
AUSTRALIA AND MANILA	Nellor	1st Jan.
SHANGHAI AND FOCHOW	Suiyang	1st Jan.
HAIPHONG, PAKHOI AND HOIHOW	Ks. mycho	1st Jan.
STRAITS	Anhui	2nd Jan.
JAPAN	Sanio Maru	2nd Jan.
AMOI	Tsitaroo	2nd Jan.
STRAITS AND LONDON PARCELS—London date, 25th November 1937	Antenor	2nd Jan.
STRAITS AND EUROPE via NEGAPATAN (Letters and Papers) London date, 2nd December 1937	Fushimi Maru	3rd Jan.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" "Direct Service"—London date, 25th December 1937.	Imperial Airways Plane	3rd Jan.
SWATOW	Nanning	3rd Jan.
JAPAN	Asio Maru	4th Jan.
STRAITS	Anking	4th Jan.
CALCUTTA AND RAITH	Shirala	4th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Gleniffer	4th Jan.
JA--	Taihybius	4th Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways" "Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 29th December 1937	Pan-American Airways Plane	5th Jan.
STRAITS AND EUROPE via SOX (Letters and Papers) London, 9th Dec and London Parrels—London date, 2nd December, 1937	Chitral	6th Jan.
CALCUTTA, STRAITS AND SAIGON	Mausang	6th Jan.
JAPAN	Kuwing	6th Jan.
MANILA	Potdam	6th Jan.

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FOR	PER	DATE AND TIME
FRIDAY		Friday, 31st, 8.15 AM
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	
Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
Kongmoon and (Pakhoi via Kongmoon)	On Lee	10.00 AM
Swatow	Kaying	10.30 AM
Bandakau	Jinwang	12.30 PM
Bangkok	Prominent	2.30 PM
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and EUROPE via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 19th Jan.—and *EUROPE via Siberia	Pres. Grant	Reg. 4.15 PM Ord. 5.00 PM
Swatow	Seistan	3.00 PM
Manila	Pres. Unolides	5.00 PM
Shanghai	Yoto Maru	5.00 PM
Amoy and (Fochow via Amoy)	Tsitaroo	5.00 PM
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Service"—due Amsterdam, 11th January, 1938.	Soudan	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 4.30 PM Ord. 5.00 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East & South Africa, Aden Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st February 1938	Soudan	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 1.00 PM Ord. 1.30 PM
*Straits and Calcutta	Talma	Reg. 1.10 AM Ord. 1.30 AM
SATURDAY		Saturday, 1st, 8.15 AM
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongmoon and (Pakhoi via Kongmoon)	8.15 AM
Manila, Babai, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 18th Jan., 1938	Hankin	Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 11.00 AM
*Manila	Pres. Van Buren	11.00 AM
Shanghai	Lachow	11.00 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	Sanio Maru	11.00 AM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways" "Direct Service"—due London, 10th January, 1938.	Imperial Airways Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 1st 11.00 AM Ord. 2nd 9.00 AM

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